

Asylum of Boston Commandery U. S.

Masonic Hall Boylston Building Boston Mass

Wednesday December 21st 1898.

Stated Conclave.

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 6⁴⁵ o'clock P. M. Eminent Commander William B Lawrence presiding assisted by the following officers:-

Sir G. Gilman Waite
Sir John B Bowker.
Rev Sir George L Peirce

Sir Rinaldo B Richardson
Sir Richard A Atwood
Emt Sir James M Gleason
Sir Herbert A Rhoades.

Sir George E Savory.
Sir L. Weston White
Sir Charles S Darnell
Sir William A Barr.
Sir James S Blake.
Sir Jesse E Ames
Sir Will A Murtfeldt

Generalissimo
Captain General
Prelate

Associate Prelate
Senior Warden
Junior Warden
Treasurer.

Recorder

Standard Bearer
as Sword Bearer.
Warder.

Adjutant
Third Guard
Second Guard
First Guard.

Sir Joseph B Paul	First Asst Guard
Sir John B MacAlman.	Second Asst Guard
Sir Abbott L Aldrich	Third Asst Guard
Sir Frank Hadley.	Fourth Asst Guard
	Fifth Asst Guard
	Sixth Asst Guard
Sir Frederick Sampson.	Armorer
Sir John B Rhodes	Musical Director
Sir Edward MacDonald.	Sentinel

Absent:-

Emt Sir James B Upham	Associate Prelate
Sir Edgar D Hunt	Sword Bearer.
Sir Charles B Goldthwaite.	Fifth Asst Guard
Sir Harry E. Wright	Sixth Asst Guard.

Past Eminent Commanders

Present:-

Emt Sir James M Gleason
 Emt Sir Eugene A Bolton
 Emt Sir Charles I Sitchfield
 Emt Sir Henry B Sitchfield.

The Records of the Stated
 Conclave of November 16th 1898 and the Special
 Conclave of December 15th 1898 were read and

approved.

2 The Eminent Commander
 announced the following deaths and a Mem-
 orial Page was ordered for each.

Sir Henry B Hemmenway	November 17-1898
Sir Otis S Reale	December 13-1898-

3 The following acknowledgment
 was read:-

77 Howard Avenue

Roxbury Nov 26th 1898.

To the Eminent Commander, Officers &
 Members of Boston Commandery St B

Mrs Hemmenway desires me to
 extend to you her sincere thanks for the friendly
 sympathy shown to her and her family in
 their recent great bereavement by the beautiful
 floral tribute you so kindly sent at the funeral
 of her husband Capt Hemmenway.

Courteously yours

Richd A Atwood.

4 The Eminent Commander
 reported that Rt Emt Sir Eugene B Richards

4 had become insane and had been removed to the Maclean Asylum at Waverley where arrangements had been made by the different Masonic bodies for his care and comfort.

5 Reports were received from the committee on the application of Comh Daniel Franklin Holmes and a ballot was taken which having clear he was declared entitled to receive the Orders of Knighthood in Boston Commandery K.T.

6 The following communication was read:-

De Molay Commandery
Knights Templars

Boston Nov 30th 1898.

Herbert A Rhoades Esq.

Recorder of Boston Commandery K.T.

Dear Sir and Sir Knight:-

An application for the Orders of Knighthood has been presented to De Molay Commandery by John Aaron Webster Silver, Residence 341 Blue Hill Ave Occupation Contractor and Builder 48 Congress St Boston.

He states that he has previously applied to

6 Boston Commandery for the Orders.

Permission is therefore asked to receive this application and that jurisdiction over this Companion be released to De Molay Commandery



Yours courteously

Chas. R Magee

Recorder.

7 A ballot was taken upon this request which proving not clear release of jurisdiction was refused.

8 It was voted that the thanks of Boston Commandery K.T. be extended to Rev Sir R. Perry Bush Prelate of Palestine Commandery K.T. of Chelsea Mass for his services as Prelate at the funeral of Sir Otis S. Reale.

9 The following communication was read:-

Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
and the

Preendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island
General Orders
No. 3
Series of 1898-99

Office of the R & Grand Commander.
Providence R.I.

9 To all Knights Templars within the jurisdiction of this Grand Commandery.

The Committee on Christmas Observance of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America has prepared the following toast:-

To our Most Eminent Grand Master,
 Reuben Hedley Lloyd, who rules the
 Templar Host from Point Barrow to
 Porto Rico, from Passamaquoddy to
 the Philippines

The Grand Master sends the following response:-

A "Host" whose armor is truth, whose Watchword
 is brotherly love, whose mission is peace,
 whose purpose moral and intellectual devel-
 opment, must in time capture the world.

The Committee requests "all true Templars and
 their friends, wherever dispersed, on land or sea, to
 join in these sentiments, on Monday December 26,
 A.D. 1898 A.D. 780, at noon, Eastern Standard Time".

In the joyousness of our approaching Christmas
 Day, let all the Sir Knights of this Jurisdiction, as
 a mark of their respect and love for the Most. Emi-
 nent Grand Master, join with the Grand Com-
 mander in sending these greetings to M & Sir
 Reuben Hedley Lloyd, wishing him a Merry,
 Christmas, with joy and gladness

It is ordered that this Order be read at the

9 head of each Commandery at, and borne upon the
 notice of, the Stated convocation next preceeding De-
 cember. 26, A.D. 1898 A.D. 780.

Witness my hand and the Seal of the Grand
 Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant
 Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island this 23^d
 day of November A.D. 1898 A.D. 780.

Geo L Shepley.
 Grand Commander.



Attest:-

B W Rowell

Grand Recorder.

10

Voted that a committee
 of three be appointed to forward the greetings of
 Boston Commandery K T to the M. E. Grand
 Master on Christmas Day.

Sir J Gilman Warte

Rev Sir George L Perin

Sir Herbert A Rhoades

were appointed on this committee

11

The Committee appointed
 to consider the feasibility of forming a Drill
 Corps submitted the following report:-

Emt Commander and Sir Knights:-

- 11 Your committee appointed at the last Conclave of this Commandery to report upon the advisability of forming a drill corps in Boston Commandery beg leave to submit the following report:-

That in the opinion of your committee the formation of a drill corps at this time is inexpedient for the reason that there are not at the present time a sufficient number of interested members who have attained sufficient proficiency in drill to form such a corps. We do recommend that a school of instruction be organized for the purpose of instructing members of such school in Knight Templar tactics, out of which may be at an early date organized a drill corps.

Respectfully submitted

John H Bowker.

Rinaldo B Richardson

Ernest S Lovejoy

- 12 It was voted that the report of the committee be accepted and later that its recommendation be adopted.

- 13 The following communication was read:-

13. Boston Dec 20-98.
I hereby apply for a limit from Boston Commandery.

R. W. Bonant.

The Recorder reported Sir Bonant as being clear on the books and it was voted that his request be granted and a limit issued.

- 14 An application for the Orders of Knighthood was received from.

Camp. Vernon Marshall Peirce

Residence:- 169 West Newton Street Boston

Occupation:- Civil Engineer

Place of Business:- 30 Tremont Street Boston

Member of Joseph Warren Lodge Boston

" " St Pauls R A Chapter "

Recommended by Emt Sir Leonard B Nichols
Committee:- Emt Sir James M Gleason Sir George W Hooper Sir Freeman S Atkins

- 15 The Order of the Temple was then conferred in Due Form and with full ceremonies and honor. Joseph William White

- 15 Comd. Frederick Blaudge Graves.
Comd. Otis Humphrey Marion
Comd. William Albert Buckley.
Comd. Edward Chace Mansfield.
Comd. George Albert Towne.

were

Created and Dubbed.
Knights
of the
Valiant and Magnanimous
Order.
of the
Temple.
Knights Templars.

16. The Order of Malta was
then conferred in the Short Room by Sir G.
Gilman Waite Generalissimo and the same.
Sir Knights were created and Dubbed Knights
of Malta and repaired to the Recorder's desk.
signed the By Laws and received their Diplomas

The Eminent Commander
alluded to the ninetieth birthday of Sir
Sylvanus B. Plimney, recently passed

Comd. Sir James W. Gleason

- 17 speaking at some length of the approaching
Christmas season and of the happy custom
which had prevailed for several years of re-
membering Comd. Sir G. Francis Sells at that
time stated that on January 2^d 1899 Comd. Sir
Sells would celebrate his fiftieth wedding
anniversary and moved that an appropriation
of \$100 be made to be presented to him in gold
on that occasion and that a committee of
three be appointed to prepare a memorial and
resolutions to accompany the gift

The Generalissimo, Sir G. Gilman Waite, heartily
endorsed the suggestion and motion of Comd.
Sir Gleason and seconded the motion which
was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Rev Sir George L. Perin

Comd. Sir James B. Upham

Comd. Sir James W. Gleason
were appointed on this committee

- 18 It was unanimously voted
that a committee of three be appointed to
present resolutions to Sir Sylvanus B.
Plimney commemorative of his recent
birthday

Comd. Sir Charles S. Sitchfield
Sir John B. Bowker.

- 18 Sir Herbert A Rhoades
were appointed on this committee.

There being no further
business the Commandery was closed in
Due Form at ten o'clock and twenty five
minutes P.M.

Members Present
In Uniform 57
Not in Uniform 78.

Among the visiting
Sir Knights was
Emt Sir Frank W Mead E & L of De Molay
Commandery Boston.

- 19 Sir Joseph C. Brown paid the
necessary fee and was enrolled a Life
Member.

After closing the Com-
mandery a collation was served in the
Banquet Hall

A true record.
Attest:- Herbert A Rhoades
Recorder.

Summary December 21st 1898

- 1 Records.
- 2 2 Deaths
- 3 Acknowledgment
- 4 Illness of Rt Emc Sir Eugene B Richards
- 5 1 Elected for Orders.
- 6 Request from De Molay for release of jurisdiction
- 7 " " " refused.
- 8 Thanks to Rev Sir R Perry Bush.
- 9 General Orders No 3
- 10 Committee to send Christmas Greetings to M & F M.
- 11 Report Committee on Drill Corps.
- 12 " Accepted and recommendation adopted
- 13 Dimit granted Sir Roger W barant.
- 14 1 application for Orders.
- 15 Temple on 6
- 16 Malta " 6
- 17 Voted to appropriate \$100 to Emc Sir Lotts 50th Wedding Anniv
- 18 Resolutions to Sir Sylvanus B Phinney
- 19 1 paid Life Membership Fee.

Sir Henry C. Sturgesway
died Thursday November 17-1898. He was
present at the meeting of the Commandery
the evening previous and had just returned
from a drive when he passed away from
heart failure. His funeral was held
from the Baker Memorial Church corner
of Cushing Avenue and Hancock Street
Uphams Corner Dorchester Sunday November
20-1898 at 2 o'clock P M and was attended
by a committee consisting of

Sir J. Gilman Waite

Sir George E. Savory

Sir Elijah B. Bine

Sir Thomas M. Barter

Sir J. Lodge Eddy.

In addition to this committee a large
number of the Sir Knights, estimated at about
fifty, were present including many of the
Officers

In Memoriam

Sir Henry C. Sturgesway

Born at Boston Mass. June 6-1830.

Raised a Master Mason in Temple Lodge.
East Boston Mass. June 4-1874.

Exalted in St John's Royal Arch Chapter
East Boston Mass. June 23-1890.

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars

September 11, 1890
admitted to membership
September 11, 1890

Died at Roxbury Mass.
Thursday November 17-1898

In Memoriam

Sir Otis S. Reale.

Born at Boston Mass. June 16-1844.

Raised a Master Mason in Joseph Warren Lodge Boston Mass. February 26-1878

Exalted in St Andrews Royal Arch Chapter Boston Mass.

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple a Knight Templar in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars February 19-1879 admitted to membership February 19-1879

Died at Brookline Mass. Tuesday December 13-1898

Reylum of Boston Commandery & T.

Masonic Hall Baylston Building Boston Mass.

Wednesday January 18th 1899.

Special Conclave.

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 12 o'clock in Eminent Commander William B. Lawrence presiding assisted by the following officers:-

- | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Sir J Gilman Waite | Generalissimo |
| Sir John H Bowker | Captain General. |
| Rev Sir George L Perin | Prelate |
| Sir Richard A Atwood | as Senior Warden. |
| Sir James S Blake | as Junior Warden. |
| Sir Horace P Blackman | as Treasurer |
| Sir John H Boughton | as Recorder. |
| Sir Will A Murtfeldt | as Guards. |
| Sir Joseph B Paul | |
| Sir Abbott L Aldrich | |
| Sir Charles H Goldthwaite | |
| Sir Henry Samuel | |
| Sir Edward W Phillips | Armoror |
| Sir J Frederick Sampson | |
| Sir Edward Mac Donald | |
| | Sentinel |

The Eminent Commander stated that the Commandery had been called together to attend the funeral of our late Sir Knight Samuel B Lynch and the lines were formed and a special car taken at 12³⁰ o'clock P.M. for the Grace Methodist Church Temple Street Boston where the services were held in accordance with the Ritual of the Order, commencing at 1 o'clock P.M.

At the close of the services the Commandery returned to the Asylum where the lines were dismissed and the Commandery closed at three o'clock P.M.

Seventeen Sir Knights were present in Uniform in addition to those above named.

A lunch was served in the Banquet Hall before leaving.

This record is made from minutes furnished by Sir John H. Thayer.

Witness:

Herbert A Rhoades

1899

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Sir Richard A. Atwood
Sint Sir James M. Gleason
Sir Herbert A. Rhoades
Sir George E. Savory
Sir Edgar F. Hunt
Sir Charles S. Damrell
Sir William A. Barr
Sir James S. Blake.
Sir Jesse E. Ames
Sir Will A. Muntfeldt

Generalissimo
Captain General
Prelate
Associate Prelate
Senior Warden.
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Treasurer.
Recorder.
Standard Bearer
Sword Bearer.
Warder
Adjutant.
Third Guard
Second Guard
First Guard

Sir George T Paul	First Asst Guard.
Sir John B MacAlman	Second Asst Guard
Sir Abbott L Aldrich	Third Asst Guard
Sir Frank Hadley	Fourth Asst Guard.
Sir Charles B Goldthwaite	Fifth Asst Guard
	Sixth Asst Guard
Sir Frederick Sampson	Remover.
Sir John B Rhodes	Musical Director
Sir Edward MacDonald	Sentinel.

Guests. Eminent Commanders

Present:-

Emt Sir James B Upham
Emt Sir James M. Gleason
Emt Sir Eugene A. Shotton
Emt Sir Leonard B. Nichols
Emt Sir Charles A. Sitchfield
Emt Sir Henry B. Sitchfield

1 The Records of the Stated
Conclave of December 21. 1898 were read and
approved.

2 The Eminent Commander
announced the following deaths and a Memo-
rial Page was read for them.

2	Sir Edwin Reed.	January 1-1899
	Sir John Stalker	January 3-1899.
	Sir Samuel B. Lynch.	January 14-1899

3 The following acknowledgment
was read:-

To the Members of the
Boston Commandery K T.
Gentlemen:-

My sister, Mrs Stalker, wishes
me to express to you her deep appreciation of the
very beautiful floral tribute which came
from you as an expression of affection and
esteem for her late husband.

Respectfully yours
Esther B. Fletcher

24 Monadnock St
Dorchester
Jan 13, 1899.

4 The Eminent Commander
reported Rt Emt Sir Eugene B Richards as
somewhat better but the Physicians expressed
it as their opinion that the improvement
was only temporary and that his condition
would probably never show any decided
improvement.

5 Reports were received from the committee on the application of Camp Vernon Marshall Peice for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was taken which proving clear he was declared entitled to receive the Orders in London Commandery & Co.

6 On motion of the Recorder action on Delinquent Members was delayed until the June Conclave with the exception of Sir Daniel B. Hubbard.

7 In his case it was voted that he be expelled ^{from membership} for non payment of dues - 77 members being present and 71 voting in favor of the motion.

Applications for the Orders of Knighthood were received from

Camp James Arthur Whitcomb
 Residence:- 60 Fley Square Hotel Boston
 Occupation:- Baker and Restaurant
 Place of Business:- 118 Dover Street Boston
 Member of Harmony Lodge No 17 Washington D C
 Hiram R A Chapter No 10 Washington D C
 Recommended by Sir James S Blake

8 Committee:- Sir Rinaldo B Richardson Sir Richard A Wood Sir Jesse E Ames.

Camp Herbert Messinger Deland.
 Residence:- 1083 Baylston Street Boston
 Occupation:- Banker.
 Place of Business:- 2 Exchange Building Boston
 Member of Converse Lodge Malden Mass.
 " " St Andrew's R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir James B. Gordon.
 Committee:- Sir Edward F Smith Sir George E Howe
 Sir William Walker.

Camp George Albert Clarke
 Residence:- 480 Massachusetts Avenue Boston
 Occupation:- Designer
 Place of Business:- 117 Franklin Street Boston
 Member of Mt Lebanon Lodge Boston
 " " St Andrew's R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir Rinaldo B Richardson
 Committee:- Sir Joseph B Paul Sir Abbott L Aldrich
 Sir William A Brownlow

Camp Adolphe Samuel Lund
 Residence:- 24 Mayfair Street Roxbury
 Occupation:- Proprietor Turkish Baths
 Place of Business:- 176 Tremont Street Boston

8. Member of Joseph Warren Lodge Boston
 " " St Andrew's R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir Rinaldo B Richardson
 Committee: Em't Sir Henry St Sitchfield Sir James
 & Blake Sir Allan & Prescott

Camp. Elgin Emerson Mott
 Residence: 23 Alexander Street Roxbury
 Occupation: Life Insurance Inspector
 Place of Business: Madison Avenue New York City
 Member of Union Lodge Dorchester Mass
 " " Dorchester R A Chapter Dorchester Mass
 Recommended by Sir Herbert & Hilley
 Committee: Sir Fred P Hayward Sir Henry
 G. Howe Sir Davis T Keever.

Camp. Charles Augustus Kearney
 Residence: 6 Boston Avenue West Medford Mass
 Occupation: Can & Box Manufacturer
 Place of Business: 580 Commercial Street Boston
 Member of Mt Sherman Lodge Medford Mass
 " " Mystic R A Chapter
 Recommended by Sir Frank W Ham
 Committee: Sir Cyrus P Austin Sir William P
 Clark Sir Alexander & Glidden

Camp. Editcher Orpin

8. Residence: 46 Adams Street Medford Mass.
 Occupation: Furniture Manufacturer
 Place of Business: 99 Richmond Street Boston
 Member of Mt Sherman Lodge Medford Mass
 " " Mystic R A Chapter
 Recommended by Sir J Gilman Waite
 Committee: Sir George A Whitcher Sir Edward F
 Kent Sir Freeman A Spring

Camp. Robert Clement Orpin
 Residence: 46 Adams Street Medford Mass
 Occupation: Shipper - Furniture
 Place of Business: 121 Medford Street Charlestown
 Member of Mt Sherman Lodge Medford Mass
 " " Mystic R A Chapter
 Recommended by Sir J Gilman Waite
 Committee: Sir Oliver Whyte Sir Frank W Ham
 Sir Albert & Lane

9. Sir J Gilman Waite on
 behalf of the committee reported that on
 Monday December 25 1898 he sent
 M. S. Grand Master the following telegram:-

Boston Dec 25 1898

Reuben H Lloyd

San Francisco California

1. Boston Commandery Knights Templars sends
 knightly greetings wishing you a Merry Christ-
 mas.

May the blessings of health and happiness,
 fullness of years and prosperity be yours.

W. Gilman White

Chairman of Committee.

The committee reported
 that they had forwarded to Gen. Sir Francis
 Sotté \$100 in gold accompanied by the following
 communication:-

Eminent Sir Francis Sotté

#701 Tremont St Boston

Eminent and Dear Sir,

At the last regular conclave of
 Boston Commandery 83 held on Wednesday evening
 December 14th 1898 your name was mentioned in
 the most cordial and affectionate way and a
 committee was appointed to prepare a memorial
 to convey to you the knightly regards of Boston
 Commandery.

Therefore acting for the Commandery and
 in recognition of your high personal worth, your
 eminent services in Boston Commandery, your
 long connection with the Masonic Fraternity.

10 as well as of your warm personal friendship, we take
 very great pleasure in bearing to you the sincere
 regards of every member of Boston Commandery, their
 heartfelt wish for a happy New Year and their most
 cordial congratulations to you and Mrs Sotté on
 the unique and memorable occasion of your Golden
 Wedding. With these congratulations, we bring
 a slight token in pure gold of the high esteem in
 which you are held by the members of Boston
 Commandery in whose hearts you will ever be
 cherished with affectionate and knightly interest.

We are Eminent and Dear Sir

Yours very respectfully

George D. Peirce

James S. Abraham

James M. Gleason

Committee

Boston Jan'y 2-1899.

11. The committee reported
 that they had sent the following communica-
 tion to Sir Sylvanus B. Plimney.

Boston Dec 24th 1898

Sylvanus B. Plimney Esq

Dear Sir Knight:-

Boston Commandery by its

- 11 Committee appointed by vote of the Commandery at its last stated Conclave on the 21st inst. desires to extend to you the Compliments of the Season.

Your long connection with Boston Commandery dating from May 8th 1859 and covering a period of nearly 40 years has shown your great interest in the teachings and principles of our Order manifested in a long and useful life which has commanded the respect of all with whom you have been associated not only in the Masonic Institution but in the community in which you have so long been a prominent member.

We now in behalf of the Officers and Members of the Commandery wish you:

"A Merry Christmas
dressing the hope that although having passed the usual time of life allotted to man you may yet be longer shared knowing full well that when thy summons comes you will enter that Asylum above greeted with the welcome:

"Come good and true and welcome,

"Enter then into the joy of the Lord"

Wm. H. Sewer

Committee.

Wm. H. Sewer

The Recorder stated that on January 2^d - The Eminent Commander, Generalissimo, Captain General, Prelate and Recorder called upon Em. Sir and Mrs. Francis Sells and Sir William S. Dillaway.

They found Em. Sir Sells as well as could be expected and enjoying the festivities of his Golden Wedding.

Sir Dillaway seemed much pleased at being remembered by the officers but his condition was not improved over the last report but on the contrary it seemed to require much effort to remember and to converse upon familiar topics he complaining that his head seemed to give him increasing trouble.

- 13 Em. Sir John D. Munroe Grand Warden announced the presence of Eminent Sir George H. Henry on Grand Senior Warden who was present for the purpose of the Annual Inspection.

- 14 The Eminent Commander called on the young committee to receive him and escort him to the Asylum:-

Sir G. Giffman Waite Generalissimo

Em. Sir James H. Uhlman

Em. Sir James M. Lyman

- 14. Em't Sir Eugene A Bolton
Em't Sir Leonard B Nichols
Em't Sir Charles F Litchfield
Em't Sir Henry H Litchfield.
Sir Marcus C. Cook
Sir James P Richardson
Sir Joseph H Hewes
Sir Joseph W Whitaker.

The lines were formed, the Inspecting Officer and Suite received in due form by the Eminent Commander and escorted to the East under an Arch of Steel.

15. Em't Sir Kenyon was accompanied by the following distinguished Sir Knights:-

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| V. Em't Sir Herbert S Morse | Dep. Grand Commander. |
| Em't Sir George E. Hillen | Grand Bailiiff General |
| Em't Sir Freeman C Hersey | Grand Junior Warden |
| Em't Sir Arthur C. White | Grand Standard Bearer. |
| Em't Sir John D Munroe | Grand Warden. |
| Em't Sir E Bentley Young | Grand Master of the Guards. |
| Em't Sir Henry C. Howe | Grand Secretary |
| Em't Sir John H. Hatchman | Grand Treasurer |
| Em't Sir George H. Bevilham | Grand Marshal |

- 15 Rt Em't Sir William H H Soule. Past Grand Commander.
Rt Em't Sir Charles C Dwyer " " "
Rt Em't Sir Ellery F Garfield P. G. C of Michigan

Eminent Commanders:-

Em't Sir Frank W Mead	"De Molay"	Boston
Em't Sir Thomas W Penney	"Calvary"	Providence.
Em't Sir Herman F Pettingill	"Hugh de Payens"	Melrose.
Em't Sir Charles A Estey	"William Parkman"	E Boston
Em't Sir Joel A. Bolton	"Coeur de Lion"	Charleston
Em't Sir Frank H Mason	"South Shore"	E Weymouth

Generalessimos:-

Sir Theodore H Buck	"Palestine"	Chelsea
Sir John W Dicker	"William Parkman"	E. Boston
Sir David F Pierce	"South Shore"	E Weymouth

Bailiiff General:-

Sir Elmer L French.	"Palestine"	Chelsea.
Sir Charles F Lindgren	"William Parkman"	E Boston

Past Commanders:-

Em't Sir Charles E Pierce	"St. Omer"	E Boston
Em't Sir Edward J Graves	"William Parkman"	E Boston
Em't Sir Francis J. ...	"St. Omer"	E Boston

16 An examination was made of the Charter, Records, By Laws and Book of Rules which were later all pronounced in good condition.

17 The Officers report was as follows:

Members in Uniform	137
Members not in Uniform	38
Visitors	62
Suite	27.

18 The business of a Commandery of Knights Templars was suspended and a Council of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross held for the reception of candidates.

The Order of the Red Cross was conferred in due form and with suitable ceremonies and
 Comd Daniel S. Franklin & Holmes.

Comd Vernon M. Mason & Co. were created and constituted Companions of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross.

19 The business of the Commandery was resumed when the Grand Senior Warden congratulated the

20 Commander, and the Commandery upon the State of the evening and upon the condition in which he found the Commandery.

There being no further business the Commandery was closed in due form at ten o'clock and ten minutes P.M.

Among the visiting Knights not on the Suite were
 Comd Sir Barry Dunlop. E. C. "Pilgrim" Lowell
 Comd Sir Isaac D. Locke E. C. "St Bernard" Boston

21 Sir Siran's E. Ireland paid the necessary fee December 24-1898 and was enrolled a Life Member.

After closing the Commandery a Collation was served in the Banquet Hall.

The record

1898

Frederick E. Richardson

Record

SummarySummary 18th 1899

- 1 Records.
- 2 Deaths.
- 3 Acknowledgment.
- 4 Condition of Rt Em't Sir Richards.
- 5 - elected for Orders.
- 6 Action on Delinquents laid over till June Conclave.
- 7 1 Delinquent expelled U.P.D.
- 8 8 Applications for Orders.
- 9 Christmas telegram to M & F M.
- 10 Letter to Em't Sir Lotts.
- 11 " " Sir Sylvanus B. Plimney.
- 12 Calls by officers on Em't Sir Lotts and Sir Willaway.
- 13 Grand Senior Warden announced.
- 14 do received.
- 15 Suite.
- 16 Inspection.
- 17 Court.
- 18 3 B's and Red received.
- 19 2 candidates on Red Tree.
- 20 1 new and 1 new candidate.
- 21 1 hard S.M. Tree.

The funeral of Sir Edwin Reed was held at Lexington Mass Tuesday January 3 - 1899 at 3⁰⁰ o'clock P.M. and was attended by the Sumner's Commander and Recorder.

Sir Reed died at Brant Rock Mass Monday January 1 - 1899 and brief services were held at his former residence at that place - the burial being at Lexington.

The funeral of Sir John Stalker was held at the New Old South Church, Boston Friday January 5 - 1899 at 1 o'clock P.M. and was attended by -

Em't Sir Cherry of Ditchfield

Sir George Hubbard

Sir John and 2 Alwood

Sir George E. Alwood

Sir W. William Tupper

Sir Will A. Murtfeldt

Sir Samuel Browell

Sir William de Robey

Sir John & Brown

In Memoriam

Sir Edwin Reed

Born at Lexington Mass February 20-1821

Raised a Master Mason in Mt Lebanon Lodge
Boston Mass April 24 1860Exalted in St Andrews Royal Arch Chapter
Boston Mass May 1. 1861Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Templars
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
May 24 1861admitted to membership
February 19. 1862Died at Brant Rock Mass
Sunday January 1 1899.

In Memoriam

Sir John Stalker

In Memoriam

Samuel B. Lynch.

Born at Plymouth Mass. September 16-1860.

Raised a Master Mason in
Somerville Mass. February 18, 1890

Enrolled in St Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter
Boston Mass. January 7-1891.

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars.

June 19-1891
admitted to membership

June 19-1891.

Died at Boston Mass.
Saturday January 14-1899.

Legion of Boston Commandery No. 1

Masonic Hall Boylston Building Boston Mass

Wednesday February 15th 1899.

Stated Conclave.

A Commandery of Knights
Templars was opened in Due Form at 6³⁰ o'clock
P. M. Eminent Commander William B. Lawrence
Presiding assisted by the following Officers:

Sir William West	Generalissimo
Sir John St Bowker.	Captain General.
Rev Sir George L Perin	Prelate
Emt Sir James St Upham	Associate Prelate
Sir Rinaldo B Richardson	Senior Warden
Sir Richard A. Wood.	Junior Warden.
Emt Sir Henry St Litchfield	Treasurer
Sir Herbert A Rhodes	Recorder.
Sir George E Savory	Standard Bearer.
Sir Edgar St Hunt	Sword Bearer.
Sir Charles S Damrell	Warder
	Adjutant.
Sir James S Blake	Third Guard
Sir Jesse E Ames	Second Guard.
Will A Murtfeldt	First Guard.

Sir Joseph D. ...	First Asst Guard
Sir John H. Mac Elman	Second Asst Guard
Sir Robert L. Aldrich	Third Asst Guard
Sir Frank Hadley	Fourth Asst Guard
	Fifth Asst Guard
	Sixth Asst Guard
	Seventh Asst Guard
Sir Frederick Sampson	Armorer.
Sir Gustus P. Weston	as Musical Director
Sir Edward Macdonald	Band leader

Absent:

Emt Sir James M. Gleason	Commodore
Sir William A. Barr	Adjutant
Sir Charles H. Goldthwaite	Fourth Asst Guard
Sir John B. Rhodes	Musical Director

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Emt Sir James H. ...

Emt Sir Eugene A. ...

Emt Sir Henry H. ...

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... .. January 18 1899 ...

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... .. the following ... and a ...

Emt Sir Edwin Wright	January 21 1899
Sir Augustus R. Bayley	January 30 1899

3 On motion of Emt Sir James H. Whham it was unanimously voted that a committee of three be appointed to have and present resolutions on the death of Emt Sir Edwin Wright

Emt Sir John H. Ball

Emt Sir James M. Gleason

Emt Sir Charles I. Sitchfield

were appointed on this committee

4 Reports were received from the committees on the applications of

Emt Sir Robert Messinger ... and

Emt George Albert Clarke.

Emt

Emt Elgin Emerson Mott

Emt Charles Augustus Barsey.

Emt

Emt

for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was taken in each case which proving clear they

4 were severally declared elected to receive the
Orders of Knighthood in Boston Commandery #3

5 The committee on the
application of
Camp James Arthur White
for the Order of Knighthood was granted within
time.

6 The following communication
was read:

Boston Commandery King Solomon Lodge.

Dear Sirs,

I desire to thank you most
sincerely for the perfectly beautiful floral
bouquet you sent Dec 15th and I am deeply
grateful for such a timely and respectful
attention.

Cordially yours,

Silvia H. Neal.

Brookline

Dec 15th 1899

1 Applications for the Orders
of Knighthood were received from

Camp Charles Chase Parsons

Residence: - 92 Marion Street Brookline Mass.

Occupation: - Wool Dealer.

Place of Business: - 155 Federal Street Boston

Member of Orleans Lodge Boston 't

" " Chapter of the Shekinah Chelsea Mass.

Recommended by Sir George E Savory

Committee: - Sir George E Smith Sir Joseph B
Abald Sir Freeman H Hardy

Camp Paul Constantine Klein

Residence: - 32 Batavia Street Boston

Occupation: - Druggist

Place of Business: - 187 + 189 Tremont Street Boston

Member of Joseph Webb Lodge Boston

" St Paul's R A Chapter Boston

Recommended by Sir Eugene M Brown

Committee: - Sir Charles W Cheney, Sir W Herbert
Grant Sir J Bartlett Patten

Camp John Abbott Lodge Somerville

Residence: - 247 Highland Avenue Somerville Mass

Occupation: - Accountant.

Place of Business: - 51 Bowry Street Boston

Member of John Abbot Lodge Somerville Mass

" Somerville R A Chapter Somerville Mass.

Recommended by Sir John H Mac Alman

Committee: - Sir John H Mac Alman Sir Edward
Prescott Sir John H Gale.

7. Comf. George Smith Lovejoy.
 Residence: 51 Hudson Street Somerville, Mass.
 Occupation: Warehouseman
 Place of Business: - 409 Commercial Street Boston.
 Member of John Abbot Lodge Somerville Mass
 " " Somerville R A Chapter Somerville Mass
 Recommended by Sir John & Mac Alman.
 Committee: - Sir John D Gale Sir John & Bridge
 Sir Thomas & Perry.

8. The business of a Com-
 mandery of Knights Templars was conducted
 and a Council of the Illustrious Order of the Red
 Cross opened for the Reception of Candidates

9. The Order of the Red Cross
 was conferred in Due Form and with full
 honors and

Comf. Herbert Messingford

Comf. George Albert Clarke

Comf. Adolph Samuel Lundin

Comf. Charles Augustus Hearsey.

Comf. Fletcher Behn

Comf. Robert Clement Behn

were created and constituted Companions of
 the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross.

There being no further
 business the Commandery was closed in Due
 Form at nine o'clock and five minutes P. M.

Members Present.	
In Uniform	40.
Not in Uniform	55

Among the visiting Sir
 Knights was.

Sir Edmund & Kelley Generators of Beausant
 Commandery of Malden Mass.

After closing the Com-
 mandery a collation was served in the
 Banquet Hall.

A severe snow storm
 on the previous Monday prevented a larger
 attendance and delayed the celebration
 permitting a social hour between closing
 the Commandery and serving the collation.

By Command

at 11.

Herbert R. Rhoades

Records

Summary Summary

- 1 Records.
- 2 2 Deaths.
- 3 Committee on death of Em't Sir Edwin Wright.
- 4 7 Elected for Orders.
- 5 Committee on 1 for Orders granted further time.
- 6 Acknowledgment.
- + applications for Orders
- 8 Changed to Red Cross.
- 9 6 on Red Cross

In Memoriam

Em't Sir Edwin Wright

Born at Coventry Conn March 7-1821

Raised a Master Mason in Massachusetts
Lodge Boston Mass January 21-1868

Elected in St Paul's Royal Arch Chapter
Boston Mass May 18-1869

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
April 15-1874

admitted to membership
May 20. 1874

Eminent Commander. 1883-4.

Died at Boston Mass
Saturday January 21-1899

In Memoriam

Sir Augustus R. Bayley.

The funeral of Ent. Sir Edwin Wright was held at the New Old South Church Beylston Street Boston Tuesday January 24 1899 at 1 o'clock P.M.

The Commandery was represented at his funeral by the Eminent Commander, General Sir William General, Sword Bearer, Armourer, Ent Sir John S. Hall Rt. Ent Sir Samuel S. Lawrence Ent Sir James S. Upham Ent Sir Leonard B. Nichols Ent Sir Charles S. Sitchfield Ent Sir Henry S. Sitchfield Sir Daniel W. Lawrence, Sir John S. Samuel Sir Albert A. Balsom Sir Marcus S. Cook Sir John S. North and many others.

The seating arrangements at the church were under the direction of Sir Josiah S. Dyer Sir Joseph S. Paul Sir Henry Samuel Sir Horace S. Blackman Sir James S. Blake.

Sir Augustus R. Bayley died at his residence 133 Austin Street Cambridgeport Monday January 30 1899. His funeral was from the same place Thursday February 2 1899 at 1 o'clock P.M. and was attended by Ent Sir Henry Endicott Sir Henry S. Wade Sir Charles S. Russell Sir Daniel W. Hazen Sir George S. Siller Sir Edgar S. Hunt Sir Augustine Wade Sir Frank A. Kennedy Sir

Charles Bullock Sir John & Kate Sir Henry B
Davis Sir Walworth - Harbour Sir Thomas
Sitchfield.

Sir Russell acted as a hall bearer on behalf
of the Commandery.

Uyllum of Boston Commandery & S.

Masonic Hall. Boylston Building Boston Mass.

Tuesday March 7th 1899

Special Conclave

A Commandery of Knights
Templars was opened in Due Form at 11¹⁵ o'clock
A M Eminent Commander William B. Lawrence
Presiding assisted by the following officers.

Emt Sir Charles Sitchfield	as Generalissimo
Sir John B Bowker	Captain General
Rev Sir George & Perin	Prelate
Emt Sir James B Upham.	Associate Prelate
Sir Richard A Atwood	as Senior Warden
Sir James S Blake	as Junior Warden
Sir Walter W Boyden.	as Treasurer
Sir Herbert A Rhoades	Recorder
Sir Edgar F Hunt	Sword Bearer.
Sir Will A Murtfeldt	
Sir James D M Sellar.	
Sir Albert E Holden.	as Guards
Sir George R Farrell.	
Sir Charles E Parnellee	
Sir David A McDonald.	

Sir Frederick Sampson Armorer
Sir Edward MacDonald Sentinel.

The Eminent Commander announced that the bonclave had been called to attend the funeral of Sir Daniel B. Sledman who died at Chicago Ills March 3-1899.

The lines were formed and at 11⁴⁵ a barge was taken for the Emmanuel Episcopal Church Newbury Street Boston where the services were held in the chapel commencing at 12 o'clock.

After a short service by the Rector the usual Templar Service was held.

At the close of the service the commandery returned to the Asylum where the lines were dismissed and the commandery closed at 1²⁵ o'clock P.M.

In addition to the Sir Knights above named five others were present in Uniform.

A true record.

Wm. A. Murtfeldt

Asylum of Boston Commandery No 3

Masonic Hall Boylston Building Boston Mass.

Wednesday March 15th 1899

Stated Bonclave.

A commandery of Knights Templar was opened in Due Form at 8⁴⁵ o'clock P.M. Eminent Commander William B. Lawrence presiding assisted by the following officers -

- | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Sir Charles D. Litchfield | as Generalissimo |
| Sir S. Berry St. John | as Chaplain General |
| Rev Sir George L. Perin | Prelate |
| Sir James St. Upham | Associate Prelate |
| Sir Malcolm B. Richardson | Senior Warden |
| Sir Richard L. Atwood | Junior Warden |
| Sir James M. Gleason | Treasurer |
| Sir Herbert A. Rhoades | Recorder |
| Sir George E. Savory | Standard Bearer |
| Sir Edgar B. Hunt | Sword Bearer |
| Sir Jesse E. Ames | as Warden |
| | Adjutant |
| | Third Guard |
| | Second Guard |
| | First Guard. |
- Sir Will A. Murtfeldt

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 100. James M. Gleason

4 Reports were received from the committees on the applications of
 Comdr James Arthur Whitcomb
 Comdr Paul Constantine Klein
 for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was

4. taken in each case which proving not clear
then applications were declined and rejected.

5. Previous to this meeting on
the application of Comf Whitcomb the following
communication was read:-

Asylum

De Molay Mounted Commandery No 4

Highgate Boston.

Washington D C. April 1 - 1898.

To whom it may concern

This certifies that at a stated Conclave
of De Molay Mounted Commandery No 4 & 5
held April 12-1898 a waiver of jurisdiction
was on request granted Comfr James Arthur
Whitcomb of St Pauls R A Chapter No 10

Transmitted,

Elias E. Pallen

Recorder.



6. Applications for the Orders
were received from

Comf George Andrew Wyman

Residence: Shelburn Avenue & Dorchester

Occupation: Captain of Police

Place of Business: Police Station 4 Exchange St Boston

6. Member of Union Lodge Dorchester

" St Pauls R A Chapter Boston

Recommended by Sir George E Savory
Committee:- Sir Albert T Whiting Sir Rufus G
Fessenden Sir Harry G Howe.

Comf. William Boyd Holmes

Residence:- 60 Beath Street Somerville Mass

Occupation:- Hardware Dealer.

Place of Business:- 317 Broadway Somerville Mass

Member of Soley Lodge Somerville Mass

" Somerville R A Chapter Somerville Mass

Recommended by Emf Sir Henry B Sitchfield
Committee:- Sir Joseph Williams Sir Napoleon
B Dana Sir William T Hayes.

Comf Thomas George Buckley.

Residence: 34 Sagamore Street Dorchester

Occupation:- Master Seaman

Place of Business:- 687 Dudley Street Roxbury

Member of Union Lodge Dorchester

" Dorchester R A Chapter Dorchester

Recommended by Sir Richard A Wood

Committee:- Sir Richard B Nickerson Sir Will
A Mustfeldt Sir Isaac B Eddy.

Comf George Gilson Brooks

1 Residence: - 7 Bay State Road Boston
 Occupation: - Banker and Broker.
 Place of Business: - 40 State Street Boston
 Member of Getland Lodge Boston
 " " St Andrews R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir John B Rhodes.
 Committee: Sir William B. W. and Sir Alfred
 Stevens Sir Frank Marshall.

2 Sir John Lewis Keane M.C.
 Residence: - 34 Pratt Street Allston
 Occupation: - Superintendent: Mopie Nerve Street Co.
 Place of Business: - 68 Beverly Street Boston
 Member of St John's Lodge Boston
 " " St Paul's R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir John St. Mac Almar.
 Committee: Sir Charles C. Gilpatrick Sir William
 & Beath Sir Joseph S. Parker.

3 Sir Lewis Keane M.C.
 Residence: - 48 La Grange Street Boston
 Occupation: - M.D. & Co.
 Place of Business: - 50 La Grange Street Boston
 Member of St John's Lodge Boston
 " " St Andrews R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir William B. W. & Beath
 Committee: Sir Frederick S. Briggs Sir John St.
 & Beath

7 A circular was read from
 the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of
 the United States of America in relation to the
 new edition of the constitution of the Grand
 Encampment.

8 Eminent Sir James M.
 Gleason, in behalf of the committee, presented
 the following resolutions:-

In Asylum of Boston Commandery R B
 Boston March 15th 1899
 Companions and Sir Knights:-

We are called upon to record
 the departure from our Asylum of one who was
 highly esteemed by us and by all who had the
 pleasure of his acquaintance.

Eminent Sir Edwin Wright was born in
 Coventry, Connecticut March 7th 1821, graduated
 from Yale College in 1844, and after leaving
 college taught school for a time in Boston and
 Medford. He was much interested in the Public
 Schools and served several years on the Boston
 School Board.

He was admitted to the Suffolk Bar after
 having studied law at Harvard - in 1850
 and was appointed Judge of the Police Court

10. Camp. Charles Augustus Hearsey.

Camp Bletcher Orpin

Camp Robert Clement Orpin

were

Created and Dubbed
Knights
of the
Valiant and Magnanimous
Order
of the
Temple
Knights Templars

11

The Order of Malta was then conferred in the Great Room by Emc Sir Charles & Litchfield and the same Sir Knights were created and dubbed Knights of Malta and repaired to the Recorder's Desk and signed the By Laws

There being no further business the Commandery was closed in the Room at ten o'clock and forty five minutes P.M.

Members Present.	
In Uniform	49
Not in Uniform	68.

After closing the Commandery a collation was served in the Banquet Hall.

12

Sir Adolph & Lunden paid the necessary fee and was enrolled a new member

A true record

Attest

Adolph & Lunden

Recorder.

Sir George Loring, one of the oldest members of the Commanidery died at his residence 4 Hancock Avenue Boston Friday March 10, 1899. His funeral was from his late residence Sunday March 12, 1899 at 1 o'clock P M and was attended by. Emk Sir James M Gleason, Sir John S Darnell, Sir Peter Mc Intyre Sir William D Park Sir William C Ulman Sir Benjamin S Smith Sir Robert B Ford Sir Henry G Fay Sir Albert A Dolson Sir William de la Pointe Sir Joseph Mc Intyre

at his residence 157 Hancock Street Cambridgeport Saturday March 11-1899. Prayers were offered at his late residence Monday March 13 1899 at 3 o'clock P M and his body afterwards taken to St. Simeon's Me. for burial.

Sir Richard Thapgood Sir Hesian de Broek Sir Edgar B Hunt Sir Charles S Russell Sir Thomas L. Litchfield were present at the funeral.

Summary March 15th 1899

Records.

- 2 3 Deaths
- 3 3 elected for Orders.
- 4 2 rejected " "
- 5 Release from De Molay of Washington D C
- 6 6 applications for Orders.
- 1 Circular from Gr Rec of Grand Encampment.
- 8 Resolutions on death of Emk Sir Edwin Wright
- 9 " accepted
- 10 8 on Temple
- 11 8 " Malta
- 12 1 paid & M fee

In Memoriam

Sir David R. Stewart

In Memoriam

Sir George Young

In Memoriam.

Sir Alfred Soule

Born at Freeport Me.

March 11 - 1852.

Raised a Master Mason in Freeport Lodge No 23
Freeport Me.

March 29 - 1875.

Exalted in Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter
Cambridge Mass.

June 14 - 1889

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar

in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
June 19 - 1895

admitted to membership

June 19 - 1895

Died at Cambridgeport Mass

Saturday March 11 1899.

Asylum of Boston Commandery K T

Boston Mass

Tuesday April 11th 1899.

This evening about 53
members of Boston Commandery K T took a
special train at the North Union Station for
Haverhill Mass where a fraternal visit
was paid to Haverhill Commandery K T.
on the occasion of their official inspection by
Emt Sir Freeman B Hersey

On arriving at Haverhill the party was
met by a committee from Haverhill Com-
mandery and escorted to electric cars which
were taken for Masonic Hall, the regalia
having been put on in the train before
reaching Haverhill.

After reaching the hall a short wait
was had during which the Inspecting Of-
ficer and Suite entered the Asylum.

Our party was then received and welcomed
by the Eminent Commander. In replying to
the welcome Emt Sir William B Lawrence
alluded to the many social and pleasant
ties connecting the two commanderies
and closed by presenting to the Asylum Com-

mandery an elegant libation set as a slight token of remembrance from Boston Commandery. This was accepted by Sir Knight, Representative Moody on behalf of Haverhill Commandery.

The ritual of the Order of the Red Cross was then exemplified by the officers of Haverhill Commandery.

At the close of the work in the Asylum the Commandery was closed and all present repaired to Taverns Hall where a substantial collation had been provided. As the hour was late the members of our party were obliged to leave before the completion of this part of the evening's entertainment returning on our special train which arrived in Boston shortly after 11³⁰ P. M.

The members attending this Pilgrimage felt that the evening had been one of pleasure and profit and that it had added another link to the chain binding in loving embrace the two commanderies.

A true record.

Attest

Herbert A. Rhoades

Recorder.

Asylum of Boston Commandery K T

Masonic Hall Baylston Building Boston Mass.

Wednesday April 19th 1899

Stated Banquet

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 6⁴⁵ o'clock P. M. Eminent Commander William B. Lawrence presiding assisted by the following officers:-

Sir J. Gilman Waite	Generalissimo
Sir John H. Bowker.	Captain-General
Rev Sir George L. Perin	Prelate
Emt Sir James H. Upham.	Associate Prelate
Sir Rinaldo B. Richardson	Senior Warden
Sir Richard A. Atwood	Junior Warden
Emt Sir James M. Gleason	Treasurer
Sir Herbert A. Rhoades	Recorder
Sir George E. Savory	Standard Bearer
Sir Edgar D. Hunt	Sword Bearer
Sir Charles S. Danvell	Warder
Sir William A. Barr.	Adjutant
Sir James S. Blake	Third Guard
Sir Jesse E. Ames	Second Guard
Sir Will A. Muntfeldt	First Guard

Sir Joseph T Paul	First Asst. Guard
Sir John H MacAlman	Second Asst. Guard
Sir Abbott L Aldrich	Third Asst. Guard
Sir J Frank Badley.	Fourth Asst. Guard
S	Fifth Asst. Guard
	Sixth Asst. Guard
Sir Frederick Sampson	Armorer
Sir Edward M Dow	as Musical Director
Sir Edward MacDonald.	Sentinel

Absent:-

Sir Charles H Goldthwaite.	Fifth Asst. Guard
Sir John B Rhodes	Musical Director

Guests - Eminent Commanders

Present

Ent Sir James H Whigham
 Ent Sir James M Gleason
 Ent Sir Eugene A Bolton
 Ent Sir Henry H Litchfield.

The Records of the Stated
 Conclave of March 15th 1899 were read and
 approved.

Reports were received from
 the committees on the applications of

2. Comdr. George Andrew Wyman
 Comdr. William Boyd Holmes
 Comdr. Thomas George Buckley.
 Comdr. George Chulson Brooks.
 Comdr. John Lewis Beauchamp

For the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot
 was taken in each case which proving clear they
 were severally declared elected to receive the Orders
 of Knighthood in Boston Commandery & P.

The Eminent Commander.
 announced the following deaths

Sir Benjamin S Wells.	March 18 - 1899
Sir Sylvanus B Flimney	April 7 - 1899
Sir Simon Snow	April 12 - 1899

and a Memorial Page was ordered for each.

The following acknowledgment
 was read.

Mrs Snow and family wish to thank
 the members of Boston Commandery for the
 kind sympathy shown and expressed in the
 beautiful floral emblem they so kindly sent
 to Mr Snow

Cambridge April 16th 1899.

5

Applications for the Orders
were received from

Comp. Gustavus Fisher Guild
Residence:- 31 College Avenue Medford Mass.
Occupation:- Teacher
Place of Business:- Common Street Boston
Member of Blue Hill Lodge Canton Mass
" " Mystic R A Chapter Medford Mass.
Recommended by Sir J Gilman Wicks
Committee:- Sir Rosewell B Lawrence Sir George
H Mansfield Sir Robert C Metcalf

Comp. Frederick William Talinger
Residence:- 384 Broadway Cambridge Mass.
Occupation:- Attorney at Law
Place of Business:- 28 State Street Boston
Member of Mizpah Lodge Cambridge Mass
" " Cambridge R A Chapter Cambridge Mass
Recommended by Sir Frank P Rhoades
Committee:- Earl Sir Leonard B Nichols Sir
Frederick A Rhoades Sir H. C. Mann B. S. C.

6

Previous to balloting for
Candidates the following communication was
read:-

In St Bernard Commandery

6

Boston April 12, 1899

At a conclave of this Commandery held this
evening the following vote was passed:-

Voled "That we unanimously consent to the
withdrawal of the application for the Orders from
Companion George C Brooks, and release said
Companion from our jurisdiction"

A true copy from the records

Attest

Dred E Jones.

Recorder



Comp. Brooks had pre-
viously presented an application to St Ber-
nard Commandery, and that there might be no
misunderstanding in regard to his standing
the above vote was passed by them.

7

The following communication
was read:-

Boston April 17-1899.

Boston Commandery K T.

Herbert A Rhoades Recorder

Dear Sir

Having paid all dues and
demands in full to date it is my desire to
have my name dropped from the Roll of Member
ship

7

Respectfully yours
Abijah Thompson
Winchester
Mass

The Recorder reported Sir Thompson clear on the books and it was voted that his request be granted and a Warrant issued.

8

On the application of Camp Lewis Slewellyn Jones for the Orders of Knighthood the committee made a report and it was voted that the matter be recommended to them for further consideration.

9

The business of a Commandery of Knights Templars was suspended and a Council of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross opened for the reception of candidates.

10

The Order of the Red Cross was conferred in Due Form and with full ceremonies and
Camp Edwin Emerson Wall.
Camp Charles Chase Parsons

10 Camp John Albert Frederick Freeman
Camp George Smith Lovejoy
Camp William Boyd Holmes
Camp Thomas George Buckley.
Camp George Wilson Brooks
Camp John Louis Beauchamp
were created and constituted Companions of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross

11

The business of a Commandery of Knights Templars was resumed

12

The Eminent Commander alluded to the severe illness of Em. Sir Charles B. Dame and Sir William A. Perry
He stated that Sir Perry had been placed in the Consumptives Home at Roxbury

13

It was unanimously voted that the sum of \$50. or such amount as the Council may find to be necessary be placed at their disposal to be used for the support and relief of Sir William A. Perry.

14

The Eminent Commander alluded to the arrangements which had been made for the care of Em. Sir Eugene H. Richards

- 14 and it was unanimously voted that the action of the Council in arranging for the care and maintenance of Emil Sir Eugene St Richards is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Council are hereby authorized and instructed to expend such further sums of money from time to time for this purpose as may in their judgment be necessary while acting in co-operation with other organizations concerned

- 15 In motion of the Recorder it was unanimously voted that a committee of five to include the Council, be appointed to consider the advisability of a Pilgrimage on or about St John's Day and if in their judgment it is desirable to have such a Pilgrimage they to have full powers to make all the necessary arrangements

Mr George W Storey
Sir Richard Stahgood
were appointed on this committee

Sir J Gilman Wain
alluded to the recent bereavement which had befallen the family of Emil Sir Charles D Sitchfield and it was unanimously voted that the Recorder be instructed to express to Emil Sir

- 16 Charles D Sitchfield and family the profound sympathy of the members of Boston Commandery in the great affliction caused by the death of their beloved daughter.

The sentiment of the members on this motion was taken by rising

There being no further business the Commandery was closed at nine o'clock and fifty five minutes P M

Among the visiting Sir Knights were

Rt Em Sir William St St Soule	Past Grand Com
Em Sir Frank W Mead	"De Molay" Boston
Em Sir George W Bishop	"Athol" Athol
Em Sir Wood	Seviston Me

Members present	
In Uniform	52
Not in uniform	63

After closing the Commandery a collation was served in the Banquet Hall

A true record
Attest

Herbert A Rhoades
Recorder.

Summary April 19 1899

- 1 Received.
- 2 5 elected to Orders
- 3 3 Deaths
- 4 Acknowledgements
- 5 2 applications for Orders
- 6 Release from St Bernard
- 7 Abijah Thompson dimitted
- 8 1 Application for Orders resubmitted
- 9 Red Cross opened
- 10 8 on Red Cross
- 11 A B resumed.
- 12 Illness -
- 13 \$50 voted to relief Sir Wm A Perry
- 14 In relation Rt Em't Sir Richards
- 15 Committee appointed Pilgrimage St Johns Day
- 16 Sympathy to Em't Sir Charles F Selchfield & family

In Memoriam

Sir Benjamin S Wells

In Memoriam

Sir Sylvanus B. Plimney.

In Memoriam

Sir Simon Snow.

Born at Orleans Mass. January 9-1828.

Raised a Master Mason in Amicable Lodge
Cambridge Mass. June 8-1865.

Exalted in Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter
Cambridge Mass. December 1-1866

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
January 16-1867
admitted to membership
March 20-1867

Died at Cambridgeport Mass.
Wednesday April 12-1899.

Asylum of Boston Commandery & B

Masonic Hall Boylston Building Boston Mass.

Wednesday May 17-1899.

Stated Conclave

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 6⁴⁵ o'clock PM. Eminent Commander William B Lawrence presiding assisted by the following Officers:-

Sir G. Gilman Waite	Generalissimo
Sir John H Bowker	Captain General
Rev Sir George L Penn	Prelate
Emt Sir James H Upham	Associate Prelate
Sir Rinaldo B Richardson	Senior Warden
Sir Richard A Atwood	Junior Warden
Emt Sir James M Gleason	Treasurer
Sir Herbert A Rhodes	Recorder
Sir George E Savary	Standard Bearer
Sir Edgar B Hunt	Sword Bearer
Sir Charles S Darnell	Warder
Sir William A Barr	Adjutant
Sir James S Blake	Third Guard
Sir Jesse E Ames	Second Guard
Sir Will A Murtfeldt	First Guard.

Sir Joseph S Paul	First Asst Guard
Sir John H MacAlman	Second Asst Guard
Sir Abbott S Aldrich	Third Asst Guard
Sir J Frank Hadley	Fourth Asst Guard
Sir Charles H Goldthwaite	Fifth Asst Guard
	Sixth Asst Guard
Sir Frederick Sampson	Armorer
Sir Howard M Dow	as Musical Director
Sir Edward Mac Donald.	Sentinel

Absent

Sir John B Rhodes Musical Director

Past Eminent Commanders

Present:

Emt Sir John H Ball

Emt Sir James H Abham

Emt Sir James M Gleason

Emt Sir Eugene A Holton

Emt Sir Leonard B Nichols

Emt Sir Henry H Sitchfield.

1 The records of the excursion
of April 11th 1899 and the Stated Banquet of April
19th 1899 were read and approved.

It was voted that action

2 on the application of Camp Lewis Sewell
Jones be taken first - his name being the last
in order on the notice.

3 Reports were received from
the committees on the applications of
Camp Lewis Sewell Jones.

Camp Gustavus Fisher Guild
and a ballot was taken in each case which
proving not clear their applications were
declared rejected

4 The committee on the
application of
Camp Frederick William Dallinger
were granted further time

5 The following communication
was read: -

No 18 Boylston Street
Boston May 17-1899.

Hon William B Lawrence

Commander of Boston Commandery K S W 2

Dear Sir and Eminent Commander.

I am instructed to inform
you that the Board of Directors of the Grand
Lodge has fixed the rent of the Hall in the

5 new Masonic Temple to be used by the Commanderies of Knights Templars at their Regular Conclaves at eight hundred dollars \$800 per annum. This rent will include heating, lighting, use of the Fraternity Parlor on the second floor and the Banquet Hall elevator and coat room service.

The rent of the Armory on the sixth floor comprising rooms Nos 602, 603, 606, 607, 608 2700 square feet is fixed at twenty five hundred dollars \$2500 per annum.

Fraternally and courteously yours.

Sereno D Nickerson

Clerk of the Board of Directors.

6 This communication was referred to a committee of nine, to include the Council, to confer with the other bodies interested and with the Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge.

And Sir Charles F Litchfield.

Sir J Arthur Jacobs

Sir Charles J Hayden

Sir James D Pennington.

Sir Richard A Atwood

Sir Richard Hahgood

were appointed on this committee.

7 Applications were received from

Camp Charles Sumner Taylor.

Residence:- 30 Vine Street Medford Mass

Occupation:- Nickel Plater

Place of Business:- 160 Portland Street Boston

Member of Mt Vernon Lodge Medford Mass

" " Mystic R A Chapter " "

Recommended by Sir J Gilman Waite

Committee:- Sir Parker R Litchfield Sir Rosewell

B Lawrence Sir Oliver Whyte.

Camp Berry: Dwight Wiggins

Residence:- Florence Street Medford Mass

Occupation:- Wholesale Dealer.

Place of Business: 89 State Street Boston

Member of Mt Vernon Lodge Medford Mass

" " Mystic R A Chapter " "

Recommended by Sir J Gilman Waite

Committee:- Sir Daniel W Lawrence Sir John W

Rockwell Sir Fletcher Orpin

Camp Josiah Richardson Seal.

Residence:- Woodland Avenue Medford Mass.

Occupation:- Carriage Builder

Place of Business:- Main Street Medford Mass.

- 7 | Member of Mt Herman Lodge Medford Mass
 " " Mystic R A Chapter " "
 Recommended by Sir J Gilman Waile
 Committee: - Emil Sir Leonard B Nichols Sir Horace
 E Willis Sir Charles W Chadbourne

Bro Gilbert Hedges

Residence: - 63 Grand View Avenue Medford Mass.
 Occupation: - Civil Engineer
 Place of Business: - 60 State Street Boston
 Member of Mount Herman Lodge Medford Mass
 " " Mystic R A Chapter " "
 Recommended by Sir J Gilman Waile
 Committee: - Sir Charles W Chadbourne Sir Richard
 Hapgood Sir John D Street

Bro Herman Lincoln Buso

Residence: - 21 Royal Street Medford Mass
 Occupation: - Grain Dealer
 Place of Business: - 611 Chamber of Commerce Boston
 Member of Mt Herman Lodge Medford Mass
 " " Mystic R A Chapter " "
 Recommended by Sir J Gilman Waile
 Committee: - Sir Roland H Boulton Sir William
 R. Maywell Sir W Waller Frost

The committee announced.

- 8 to consider a Pilgrimage on or about June 24th
 presented a report recommending a trip to
 Portland Me and Basco Bay the expense to be
 about \$8⁰⁰ for a Sir Knight and \$7⁰⁰ for a Lady
 the Commandery to provide a Band for the
 entire trip.

- 9 On motion of the Recorder
 it was voted that the report of the committee
 be accepted, its recommendations adopted and
 the same committee authorized and instructed
 to make all the necessary arrangements for the
 Pilgrimage to Portland.

Emil Sir Henry H Sitchin
 in behalf of his brother acknowledged receipt
 of the resolutions adopted at our last Conclave
 and expressed his appreciation of the sympathy
 shown.

The condition of Emil Sir
 Charles C Dame and Emil Sir J Francisco Lotts
 was reported as comfortable and improving.

The Warder announced
 the presence of Emil Sir Pearce
 and a delegation from St John's Commandery.

11 & T of Providence R I and a committee consisting of

Sir J Gilman Waite

Emt Sir John H Ball.

Emt Sir James H Upham

Emt Sir James M Gleason

Emt Sir Eugene A Hallon

Emt Sir Leonard B Nichols

Emt Sir Henry H Salisbury

Sir John H Boughton

Sir Richard B. Rogers

Sir Joseph W Whitaker

Sir John H North.

were appointed to escort them to the Asylum where they were introduced by Emt Sir John H Ball and welcomed by the Eminent Commander who expressed the pleasure of the members at seeing them present and the hope that this was the beginning of the renewal of the friendly interchange of fraternal visits which had previously existed between the two bodies.

This was responded to by Emt Sir Pearce who alluded to the recent visit of a number of our members to St John's Hall and thanked the Eminent Commander for his reception.

The following deaths were announced.

Sir John E Shofford

April 20-1899

Sir Reuben E Demmon

April 22-1899.

Sir Marcus S Dusen

May 12-1899

Sir William A Perry

May 15-1899

and a Memorial Page was ordered to be prepared for each.

13

The Eminent Commander announced that the Council had been to some expense in connection with the burial of one of the above Sir Knights further than that authorized last month and it was voted that this amount be paid from the Treasury of the Commandery.

14.

The Order of the Temple was conferred in Due Form and with suitable ceremonies and.

Camp Charles Chase Parsons

Camp John Albert Frederick Trueman

Camp George Smith Sawyer

Camp William Boyd Parsons

Camp Thomas George Buckley

Camp George Wilson Brown

Camp John Louis Beauchamp

14 were

Created and
Knights
of the
Valiant and Magnanimous
Order
of the
Temple
Knights Templars

15, The Order of Malta was
then conferred by Sir J. Gilman Waite in the
Short Form and the same Sir Knights were
created and Dubbed Knights of Malta after
which they repaired to the Records Desk and
signed the By Laws

There being no further
business the Commandery was closed in
Due Form at eleven o'clock and thirty five
minutes P.M.

After closing of the Com-
mandery a collation was served in the
Banquet Hall. The lateness of the hour pre-
vented our visit from Providence from dis-
turbance in this feature

Members Present during the
evening

In Uniform	64
Not in Uniform	83

Among the visitors in
addition to the Providence Fraters were.

Ent Sir Freeman B Hersey	Grand Junior Warden
Ent Sir Frank W Mead	E. G. "DeMolay" Boston
Ent Sir Graves	P & B "Wm Parkman" & Boston

The following Sir Knights
paid the necessary fee and were enrolled
Life Members:

Sir George R. Weatherby
Sir George C. Brooks

A true record

Attest:-

Herbert A Rhoads
Recorder

Summary May 17-1899

- 1 | Records
- 2 | Order of business changed.
- 3 | 2 Rejected for Orders
- 4 | 1 Granted. Further time
- 5 | Communication from Grand Lodge in regard to rent
- 6 | Committee of 9 appeared on Conference in regard to same
- 7 | 5 Applications for Orders.
- 8 | Report of St John's Day Committee
- 9 | " Accepted - Committee to make arrangements
- 10 | Charles Esq Sir Charles & Sister. etc.
- 11 | Delegation from "St John's" Providence
- 12 | 4 Deaths
- 13 | To pay expense burial one Sir Knight.
- 14 | 7 on Temple
- 15 | 7 " Malta
- 16 | 2 paid Life Membership Soc.

Sir John E Spofford died at 245 Highland Avenue Somerville Mass Thursday April 20-1899 His funeral was held at the same place Saturday April 22 1899 at 1³⁰ o'clock P M and was attended by Sir J Gilman Waite Esq Sir Leonard B Nichols Sir William T Hayes Sir John de MacAlman Sir Erasmus H Billings

Sir Reuben E Demmon died at his late residence 209 Marlboro Street Boston Saturday April 22-1899 and his funeral was held from that place Wednesday April 26-1899 at 1³⁰ o'clock P M. Esq Sir John K Hall Sir Daniel W Lawrence Sir Marcus G Cook attended the services

Sir Marcus & Duren died Friday May 12-1899 and his funeral was held Sunday May 14-1899 his body being subsequently sent to Maine for burial

Sir William A Perry died Monday May 15-1899 at Roxbury His funeral was held Wednesday May 17-1899 at 2 o'clock P M from the 1st M E Church, Temple Street Boston and was attended by Esq Sir William B Lawrence Sir J Gilman Waite Sir John de

Bowker Sir Charles & Russell, Sir Frederick &
 Briggs Sir Augustus Ridgeway Sir Joseph & James
 Sir Ferdinand M. Trifet and others

In Memoriam

Sir Richard E. L. ...

Born at Hartford Ct.

March 18-1821.

Raised a Master Mason in Durham Lodge.

Arlington Mass.

Exalted in St Pauls Royal Arch Chapter

Boston Mass.

November 26-1858

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
 Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
 a Knight Templar

in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars

January 31-1859

admitted to membership

March 16-1859

Died at Boston Mass

Saturday April 2-1899

In Memoriam

Sir Marcus S. Duren

Born at Lee Me.

November 1-1863

Raised a Master Mason in Kenduskeag Lodge No 137

Kenduskeag Me.

November 10-1886

Exalted in St Andrews Royal Arch Chapter

Boston Mass

June 3-1891

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
 Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
 a Knight Templar

in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars

June 15-1892

admitted to membership

June 15-1892

Died at Allston Mass

Friday May 12-1899

Asylum of Boston Commandery K T

Room 42 Boylston Building Boston Mass

Wednesday June 7-1899.

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 7³⁰ o'clock P M Eminent Commander William B Lawrence presiding.

Applications for the Orders of Knighthood were received from:-

 - - - Mr Frank Leander Morse
Residence:- 162 Highland Avenue Somerville Mass
Occupation. Physician
Place of Business:- 162 Highland Avenue Somerville Mass.
Member of John Abell Lodge Somerville Mass
 " " Somerville R A Chapter " "
Recommended by Sir John H Mac Alman
Committee:- Sir Thomas L Berry Sir John H
Higgins Sir J Albert D Brueman

 - - - - - Frank Samuel Meader Ham.
Residence:- 20 Lynde Street Boston
Occupation:- Iron Worker
Place of Business:- 152 Palland Street Boston

Member of Massachusetts Lodge Boston

" " St Andrews RA Chapter "

Recommended by Sir Rinaldo B Richardson
Committee:- Sir Henry Samuel Sir James D
McLellan Sir Francis E Page.

Present nearly all the
Officers and about twenty members
At the close of the bandage a Drill was held
at the Institute of Technology Drill Shed
Essex Street

There being no further
business the Commandery was closed at
seven o'clock and forty minutes P. M.

A true record

Witness:

Herbert A Rhoades

Recorder

Asylum of Boston Commandery No 3

Masonic Hall Boylston Building Boston Mass.

Wednesday June 21-1899.

Stated. Bandage

A Commandery of Knights
Templars was opened in Due Form at 3³⁰
P. M. by the Eminent Commander William B Lawrence
residing assisted by the following officers:

Sir G. Gilman Wark

Sir John H Bowler

Rev Sir

Emt Sir James H Wham

Sir Rinaldo B Richardson

Sir Richard A Atwood

Emt Sir James M Gleason

Sir Herbert A Rhoades

Sir George E Savory

Sir Edgar D Hunt

Sir Charles S Danneil

Sir William A Barr

Sir James S Blake

Sir Jesse E Ames

Sir H. A. R. Murlid

Generatissimo

Chaplain General

Prelate

Associate Prelate

Senior Warden

Junior Warden

Treasurer

Recorder

Standard Bearer

Sword Bearer

Warden

Adjutant

Third Guard

Second Guard

First Guard

Sir Joseph D Paul	First Asst Guard
Sir John H MacAlman.	Second Asst Guard
	Third Asst Guard
Sir John's Bradley	Fourth Asst Guard
Sir Charles H Goldthwait	Fifth Asst Guard
	Sixth Asst Guard
Sir Frederick Samson	Armorer
Sir Howard M Low	as Musical Director
Sir Edward Mac Donald.	Sentinel

Absent:-

Rev Sir George L Perin	Prelate
Sir Abbott L Aldrich	Third Asst Guard
Sir John B Rhodes	Musical Director

Past Eminent Commanders

Present:-

1st Sir James H Upham.
 2nd Sir James M Gleason
 3rd Sir Eugene A Hollen
 4th Sir Leonard B Nichols
 5th Sir Henry H Silchfield

Reports were received from
 the committees on the applications of
 1st Sir Charles H. ...
 Comdr. Henry Dwight H. ...

1 Comdr. Josiah Richardson Teal.

Comdr. Gilbert Hodge

Comdr. Herman Lincoln Buss

Comdr. Frank Leander Morse

for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was taken in each case which proving clear they were severally declared entitled to receive the Orders in Boston Commandery H S.

2 Reports were received from the committee on the application of

Comdr. Frederick William Dalinger

for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was taken which proving not clear his application was declared rejected

3 The committee on the application of

Comdr. Samuel Meader Ham

for the Orders of Knighthood were granted further time

4 The business of a Com-mandery of Knights Templars was suspended and a Council of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross opened for the reception of candidates

5

The Order of the Red Cross
was conferred in Due Form and with full
ceremonies and

Com. George Andrew Weyman

Com. Charles Sumner Taylor.

Com. Henry Dwight Wiggin

Com. Josiah Richardson Deel

Com. Herman Lincoln Buss

Com. Frank Leander Morse

were created and constituted Companions of the
Illustrious Order of the Red Cross.

An intermission was
here taken and supper served in the Banquet
Hall

6

At seven o'clock the
Council was called to order and the business
of a Commandery of Knights Templars re-
sumed.

The Records of the Stated
Conclave of May 17th 1899 and the Conclave of
June 7-1899 were read and approved.

8

Action on Delinquent
Members was postponed to the Annual Conclave

8 in October.

1

It was voted that the
Stated Conclaves in July and August be
omitted.

10

The Committee on Apartments
reported that they had had a conference with
the committee from the Grand Lodge but had
as yet accomplished very little.

11

The Order of the Temple
was then conferred in Due Form and with
full ceremonies and

Com. George Andrew Weyman

Com. Charles Sumner Taylor.

Com. Henry Dwight Wiggin

Com. Josiah Richardson Deel

Com. Herman Lincoln Buss.

Com. Frank Leander Morse

were created and constituted Knights of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple.
Knights Templars

12

The Order of Malta was
conferred in the Short Form by Sir Gilbert
Waite and the same Sir Knights were

12. created and Dubbed Knights - 11 or 12
after which they repaired to the Recorder's desk
and signed the By Laws

13. It was unanimously voted
that the thanks of the Commandery be extended
to Rev. Hamilton of the Baptist Church
M. E. Church for his assistance at the funeral
of Sir William R. Perry.

14. The following amendments
to the By Laws were offered by Sir William
B. Lawrence:-

To amend Article IX Section 5 by striking out
the word "five" and inserting in lieu thereof the
word "ten" so that the Section as amended will
read:-

"Sect 5. Every member, except honorary and
Life Members, shall, at the Annual Conclave in
each year, pay the Recorder ten dollars for the sup-
port of the Commandery; provided" etc

To amend Article VII Section 1 Paragraph 2. by
striking out the word "fifty" and inserting in place
thereof the words "one hundred"

These amendments were
referred to a committee consisting of
Supt Sir Charles S. Sitchfield
Sir Charles J. Hayden
Sir Richard Stapgood

There being no further
business the Commandery was closed in
due form at ten o'clock and ten minutes
P. M.

16. The following Sir Knights
paid the necessary fee and were enrolled Life
Members

Sir Ernest L. Davis
Sir Walter E. Pendleton
Sir John L. Pendleton
Sir Walter E. Wyman
Sir Charles E. Wyman

17. An application for the
Orders of Knighthood was received from

Don't Samuel Brooker Lawrence Haskell
Residence:- 121 Summer Street Medford Mass
Occupation:- Real Estate

15 Place of Business . . 2: Summer Street Medford Mass
 Member of Mt Vernon Lodge Medford Mass

" " Mystic R A Chapter " "

Recommended by Sir Frank W Barn
 Committee:- Sir Parker R Sitchfield Sir William
 R Maxwell Sir Josiah R Deel.

. A true record

Attest:-

Herbert A Rhoades

Recorder.

Summary June 21st 1899

- 1 6 elected for Orders
- 2 1 rejected " "
- 3 Committee on 1 for Orders granted further time
- 4 Red Cross opened
- 5 6 on Red Cross.
- 6 Commandery opened.
- 7 Records.
- 8 Delinquents laid over to Oct.
- 9 Vacation July & August
- 10 Committee on Apartments "not much done"
- 11 6 on Temple
- 12 6 " Malta
- 13 Thanks to Rev Mr. Hamilton
- 14 Amendments offered
- 15 1 Application for Orders.
- 16 5 paid Life Membership Fee.

Asylum of Boston Commandery K T.

Masonic Hall Beylston Building Boston Mass.

Friday June 23^d 1899

Special Conclave

A Commandery of Knights
Templars was opened in Due Form at 8.¹⁰ o'clock
A M. Eminent Commander William B Lawrence
Presiding assisted by the following officers:-

- | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Emt Sir Henry B Litchfield | as Generalissimo |
| Sir John B. Bowker. | Captain General |
| Sir Rinaldo B Richardson | Senior Warden. |
| Sir Richard A Atwood | Junior Warden |
| Emt Sir James M Gleason | Treasurer |
| Sir Herbert A Rhoades. | Recorder |
| Sir Robert B Ford. | as Standard Bearer |
| Sir | as Flag Bearer. |
| Sir William A Barr | Adjutant |
| Sir James S Blake. | Third Guard |
| Sir Joseph S Paul | First Asst Guard |
| Sir John B MacAlman. | Second Asst Guard |
| Sir Charles B Goldthwaite | Fifth Asst Guard. |
| Sir Frederick Sampson | Armorer |
| Sir Edward MacDonald. | Sentinel |

Past Eminent Commanders

present

Emt Sir James M. Gleason

Emt Sir Henry B. Sitchfield

The following dispensation
was read:-

Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
and the

Appendant Orders of Massachusetts & Rhode Island.

Office of the Grand Commander

June 14th 1899

To the Eminent Commander Officers and Sir Knights
of Boston Commandery K. S.

Good cause having been shown & by virtue
of the power in me vested as Grand Commander
of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and
Rhode Island do hereby grant this my dispensation
authorizing you to parade with music and
banners for the purpose of celebrating St. John's
Day by an excursion to Portland, Maine on June
23^d and 24th.

Due and proper return will be made to me
if the action had under this authority and
this dispensation filed in the Archives of the
Commandery and spread in full upon its

records



Given under my hand and the seal of the
Grand Commandery this fourteenth
day of June A.D. 1899 A.O. 781.

Geo. S. Shepley

Grand Commander

At 8⁴⁰ the lines were formed
in the Banquet Hall and headed by Barker's
Boston Commandery Band the Commandery
marched to the Union Station via Boylston,
Washington and Canal Streets.

Here the Special Train
was taken leaving the Station at 9²⁰ A.M.
The ladies having been met at the station by
a special committee and escorted to the
cars.

A pleasant run of two
and one half hours brought the Commandery
to Old Orchard Beach where a half hour
was spent after which the train was again
taken for Portland which was reached at
1 P.M. Here the ladies were taken in
electrics to the Balmouth House where the
Commandery arrived later after a short march.

After lunch the electric cars were taken for a ride to Riverton Park where a pleasant afternoon was spent. The party returning to the "Balmouth" for dinner.

After dinner the steamboat was taken at 7³⁰ for Peake Island and the Gem Theatre where a pleasant evening was passed closing with dancing at the close of the performance at the theatre, the return to Portland being made by special boat.

Thursday morning the breakfast cars were taken for the steamboat wharf where a special boat was taken for a sail in Portland Harbor and among the islands arriving at Peake Island at about noon.

At about one o'clock dinner was served at the Peake Island House and an excellent one. It proved to be to which all did ample justice.

At the close of the dinner the boat was taken for Portland and after a lunch at the "Balmouth" the Commandery marched to the Union Station where the cars were taken for home the ladies having been conveyed to the station in a car.

cars.

The Special Train was taken for Boston which was reached about eight o'clock and owing to a rain storm at the time of arrival the Sir Knights were dismissed and the Commandery closed on the train without harm.

About 125 Sir Knights and 110 ladies participated in this Pilgrimage the Commandery being accompanied during the trip by Barber's Band.

The occasion was one thoroughly enjoyed by all who participated the perfect weather assisting to make it a success.

true record

Attest

Herbert A. Rhodes
Recorder.

Oberlin of Boston Commandery K S

Long Hall Masonic Temple Boston Mass

Wednesday September 20th 1899.

Stated Conclave

A Commandery of Knights
Templars was opened in due form at 5⁴⁵
o'clock P M. Eminent Commander William B Lawrence
presiding assisted by the following officers.

- | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Sir S Gilman Wake | Generalissimo |
| Sir John H Bowker | Captain General |
| Rev Sir George L Perin | Prelate |
| | Associate Prelate |
| Mr. Harold B Richardson | Senior Warden |
| Sir Richard A Atwood | Junior Warden |
| Emt Sir James M Gleason | Treasurer |
| Sir Herbert A Rhoades | Recorder |
| | Standard Bearer |
| Sir Edgar F Bunt | Sword Bearer |
| Sir Charles S Darnell | Warder |
| Sir William A Barr | Adjutant |
| Sir James S Blake | Third Guard |
| | Second Guard |
| Sir Will A Mutfeldt | First Guard |

Sir Joseph T Paul	First Asst Guard
Sir Abbott & Alo	Second Asst Guard
Sir Abbott & Aldrich	Third Asst Guard
Sir J Frank Hadley	Fourth Asst Guard
Sir Charles H Goldthwaite	Fifth Asst Guard
	Sixth Asst Guard
Sir J Frederick Sampson	Armorer
Sir John B Rhodes	Musical Director
Sir Edward Mac Donald	Sentinel

Absent:-

Emt Sir James H Whlam	Associate Prelate
Sir George E Savory	Standard Bearer
Sir Jesse E Ames	Second Guard

Past Eminent Commanders
Present:-

Emt Sir James M Gleason
Emt Sir Leonard B Nichols
Emt Sir Charles S Sitchfield
Emt Sir Henry H Sitchfield

The Report of the Grand
Banquet of June 21-1899 and of the Special
Banquet of June 23^d 1899 were read and
approved

2. Reports were received from
the committees on the applications of
Saml. Lemuel Meader & Son

Saml. Samuel Broder Lawrence Haskell
for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was
taken in each case which proving clear they were
declared elected to receive the Orders in Boston
Commandery H B

3. The Eminent Commander
announced the death of
Sir George T Emerson September 7-1899
and a Memorial Page was ordered to be prepared

4. The Committee on Appoint-
ments presented the following report:-

In Registry of Boston Commandery
September 20, 1899.

The Committee appointed to confer with
the directors of the Grand Lodge respecting the
proposed rental for the use by Boston Com-
mandery H B of suitable apartment in the
new Masonic Temple respectfully beg leave
to report as follows:-

A committee of the Grand Lodge Directors
met in conference the presiding Officer of

4 each masonic body which met in the old Temple, and also by special appointment met this committee afterward. A discussion of the situation and a frank interchange of views resulted. The Directors of the Grand Lodge on the one hand stated that the destruction of the old temple was a calamity which might work some hardship, perhaps, to some of the bodies; that the erection of a new building necessarily increased the expenses of maintenance of the temple, and necessitated a corresponding increase of the rent; that just so long as the Grand Lodge owned its building free from debt it could afford to and did rent the masonic apartments of the old temple for less money than it could now afford to rent them in a building which it had been obliged to erect for the most part with borrowed money, upon which it must pay interest, and in a new building upon which it must pay increased taxes and increased expenses of maintenance as well as an increase of valuation upon the land; that the Directors in fixing the rental to be paid by the various bodies had charged nothing for interest upon the land, and nothing for interest on the \$110,000 of insurance money which had been spent on the new temple; that the rent of each body had been fixed in

4 proportion to the number of square feet of space. That no reduction could be made in rent to any particular body without similar reductions in proportion being made to the others; that the rents had been fixed as near as practicable on a basis which would only be seasonably sufficient to meet the necessary expenses of interest on money borrowed with which to build the new temple, to pay taxes on increased valuation of the land and building and to pay increased expenses of maintenance, including in this basis a reasonable margin of safety for reduction of the debt, or in case of a loss of income from any unrented portions of the building; that any general reduction thereon of the basis on which rentals had been fixed was at present, at least, unsafe in view of the uncertainty of renting every available portion of the temple; that the directors as trustees of masonic heritage felt that they would not be justified in fixing the rentals on any basis which would not be sufficient to afford a reasonable margin of safety against contingencies, and that to run any risk in the premises would be unwarrantable and unjustifiable. As to the future, the present board of directors could not in the nature of things bind their successors, nor promise to make a reduction of the rentals in the near future.

4 They could only say that in the past the Grand Lodge had reduced the rental of masonic apartments in the old temple as soon and as much as safety warranted, and that the record of the Grand Lodge in the past might, perhaps, warrant some expectation of similar results in the future, should circumstances hereafter warrant any general reduction of the rental being made with safety; but at present the situation was such that no reduction of the proposed rental could safely be made.

On the other hand, your committee represented to the committee of the Grand Lodge Directors that the rental of the hall used for meetings appeared moderate, but that the proposed rental of the armory seemed out of proportion to the rental charged for the use of the hall for the meetings of other masonic bodies; and that to pay the proposed rental would necessitate a very material increase of the annual dues of the body if Boston Commandery were to continue on the same basis of work and social enjoyment which had always obtained among its members; and that an increase of dues might bear hard upon some of its working members.

Under all the circumstances of the situation the committee still firmly believe

4 that the proposed rental for the armory is very large - so large, in fact, that it is not unreasonable for the Commandery to expect a reasonable reduction of the rental to be made as soon as and provided the Grand Lodge can safely grant it. Until then, the Commandery must either seek cheaper accommodations elsewhere, or, in the emergency of the situation, accept the proposed rental for the present as other masonic bodies now meeting in the temple have done. We are unanimously of the opinion that it would not be for the permanent welfare of Boston Commandery to sever its connection with the new Masonic Temple or to take any action which would tend to diminish its prestige.

The subject is one which deserves the careful consideration of every Sir Knight who is interested in the reputation and welfare of Boston Commandery.

Respectfully submitted

William B Lawrence

William W. Wake

Samuel Bowker.

Charles F. Bitchfield

Howard H. Haggard

J. Arthur Jacobson

Charles F. Hayden

Richard A. Atwood

Samuel B. Lawrence

Committee

The report of the committee.

5 was accepted and ordered spread on the records.

6. A motion was made to adopt its suggestions when it was voted to divide the question and it was voted to accept so much of the proposition of the Grand Lodge as relates to the use of a hall for the meetings of the Commandery and to hire such hall for the Stated Conclaves at an expense of \$800 per annum.

165 voted in favor of the motion

6 " against

7. After considerable discussion it was voted, on motion of Sir John St North, that the Commandery engage the armory at a yearly rental of not more than \$2500, and that every member using the armory for the storage of his Regalia pay a rental of \$2 per year for space occupied for each half of a case and in default of payment of said \$2 for two successive years the case or half case shall revert to the Commandery.

138 voted in favor of the motion

38 " against " "

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The committee to whom

8 was referred the amendment to Article IX Section 5 of the By Laws presented the following report:-

Boston September 20th 1899.

To the Eminent Commander, Officers and Sir Knights of Boston Commandery & S.

Yours Committee to whom was referred the proposed Amendment to Article 9 Section 5 of the By Laws of Boston Commandery would respectfully report that in view of the action suggested to be taken at this Conclave by the Commandery in relation to apartments in the new Masonic Temple and for the reasons set forth in the report of the Committee on apartments, the Amendment should be adopted and so recommend

Charles Ditchfield }
Richard Stahgood } Committee
Charles E Stayden }

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Voted that the report of the committee be accepted and spread on the records.

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A long and free discussion of the question was had and a motion made that the Amendment be adopted.

10 A roll of the meeting showed 209 present and on a vote only 69 voted in favor which showed the Amendment to be defeated.

11 Upon the request of the Eminent Commander he was granted unanimous permission to withdraw the proposed amendment to Article VII Sect 1. Par 2 of the By Laws, without action thereon.

12 The following acknowledgments were read:-

Herbert A Rhoades Recorder

I wish to thank through you the Boston Commandery and its officers for the beautiful floral tribute so kindly sent my deceased husband.

He being a traveling man did not have the opportunity of meeting with the Commandery very often but his interest and heart were there and he was always proud that he could call himself one of its members.

I shall always cherish the kindest feeling and interest toward that body.

Again thanking you I remain

Sincerely yours

May 15th 1899.

B Lillian Shofford.

12 July 16th 1899.
Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
Mr Rhoades

Dear Sir:-

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of some very beautiful flowers of Masonic significance sent on the day Mr Reuben E Dennen was buried - April 26th

With this piece from several lodges Mr Dennen's grave for many days after his burial was very beautiful. My absence from Boston must plead excuse for not sooner acknowledging your generous gift.

Very truly

Marcia Dennen

111 Marlboro St.

Boston

13 The following communication was read:-

Past. & E. Commander

of
Knights Templars

and the

Obsequent Orders

Chelsea Mass.

13 In Herbert A. Lincoln Records
Boston Commandery

Dear Sir Knight:-

I am directed by the Exlt. Commander to petition Boston Commandery for waiver of jurisdiction in favor of Palestine Commandery on the application for the Orders of Comdr James Henry Erwin 169 West Newton Street Boston

Courteously yours
Chas S Bealby
Recorder.

Companion Erwin has recently received the Degrees in Star of Bethlehem Lodge and Chapter of the Shekinah.

14 On motion of the Recorder the request of Palestine Commandery was granted.

15 The following amendment to the By Laws was offered by Sir Marcus C Cook:-
To amend Article IX Section 5 by striking out the word "five" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eight" so that the Section as amended will read:-

'Sect 5 Every member, except Honorary and Life Members, shall, at the Annual Conclave in

15 "each year, pay the Recorder eight dollars for the support of the Commandery; provided" etc

Applications for the Orders of Knighthood were received from

Comdr Edwin Charles Lewis
Residence:- 15 Bathorne Street Somerville Mass
Occupation:- Electrical Engineer
Place of Business:- 67 Federal Street Boston
Member of Soley Lodge Somerville Mass
" " Somerville R A Chapter Somerville Mass
Recommended by Sir John de Bowker
Committee:- Sir Albert D Freeman Sir John J Higgins
Sir Frank L Morse

Comdr George Mac Donald
Residence:- 65 Chapman Street Charlestown
Occupation:- Prison Officer
Place of Business: State Prison Charlestown
Member of Joseph Warren Lodge Boston
" St Pauls R A Chapter "
Recommended by Sir Rufus Holman
Committee:- Sir Charles S Damrell Sir George W Hooper Sir Arthur D Peel

+ Referred to committee consisting of
Exlt Sir Charles S. Butlerfield
Sir Richard de la Piquette
Sir Charles de la Piquette

- 16 Residence:- 545 Shawmut Avenue Boston
 Occupation:- Care of Real Estate
 Place of Business:- 545 Shawmut Avenue Boston
 Member of Washington Lodge No 100
 " " St Paul's R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir Charles O'Brien
 Committee:- Sir Solomon Eaton Sir William R
 Manchester Sir Marquis & Miller

- 17 The business of a Commandery of Knights Templars was suspended and a Council of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross opened for the reception of candidates

- 18 The Illustrious Order of the Red Cross was conferred in Due Form and with full ceremonies and Comfr. Gilbert Hodge
 Comfr Samuel Meader & son
 Comfr Samuel Brother Lawrence Haskell were created and constituted companions of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross

- 19 The business of a Commandery of Knights Templars was then resumed

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On motion of the Recorder it was voted that a committee of five be appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year their report to be made to the Recorder and borne on the notice of the Annual Conclave

Sir Richard Stahgood

Sir Thend G of Pope

Sir Arthur Jacobs

Sir Robert B. Bird

Sir Thomas J. Emery

were appointed on this committee.

There being no further business the Commandery was closed in due form at eleven o'clock and thirty five minutes P.M.

21

This was the first meeting of the Commandery in the New Masonic Temple corner of Tremont and Boylston Streets on the site of the Temple damaged by fire in September 1895

The building is an entirely new one of steel and granite and is supposed to be nearly fireproof.

The quarters of the Commandery are larger than in the old building but in

21 many respects are not so convenient but the elevator service will in some measure offset this. The building is not completed only one hall being ready for occupancy at this time; the Banquet Hall not being ready no collation was served.

22 The following Sir Knights paid the necessary fee and were enrolled. Life Members:-

- | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Sir John L Sindlay | Sir Levi L Rowe |
| Sir George E Savory | Sir Harrie H Whitney |
| Sir Franklin E Russell | Sir Joseph S Lockhart |
| Sir Herbert L Kelley | Sir Israel E Decrow |
| Sir Arthur Jacobs | Sir Herman L Buss |
| Sir Jesse E Ames | Sir Harrie E Mason |
| Sir John L Robinson | Sir Edgar M Roberts |
| Sir W Blifton Jones | Sir John H L. Handing |
| Sir Josiah B Dyer. | Sir George E Burke. |
| Sir William R MacDonald | Sir Julius Strong |
| Sir Eddy W Haines | Sir Elias F Caldwell |
| Sir Isaac Haines | Sir Harding F Caldwell |
| Sir Edward W. Haines | Sir Ivers W Adams |
| Sir Herman A Packard | Sir John S Gale |
| Sir Henry D Wiggin | Sir Samuel A Alwood |
| Sir George E Haines | Sir Frank W Alwood. |
| Sir Edward E Hardy | Sir Josiah R Beech. |

- 22 Sir Charles E Parmelee
Sir Henry Samuel.
Sir Orlando D Perry
Sir Willis B Foster
Sir James R Blair
Sir Ralph M Smyth
Sir Charles W Boughton
Sir Albert F Freeman.
Sir Frank P Rhoades
Sir Charles S Russell.
Sir Herbert A Rhoades
Sir Vernon M Peirce
Sir Fred P Hayward
Sir Willard B Scott
Sir James S Blake
Sir Archibald L Wallace
Sir Stark H Davis
Sir Frederick W Hayden
Sir George A Sewne
Sir Charles A Harvey
Sir Charles H Goldthwaite
Sir Charles L Howell
Sir Leon M Abbott
Sir Frederick S Briggs
Sir John H Mac Alman
Sir Daniel M Morgan
Sir Percy C Farrell

- Sir George A Griffin
Sir Gregory E Stone
Sir Charles S Simpson
Sir Luther W Puffer.
Sir J Sturgis Wright
Sir Henry W Chase
Sir Fred A Snow
Sir Eber L Mason
Sir Charles S Taylor
Sir John L Beauchain
Sir George S Longley
Sir Thomas A Brook
Sir Freeman L Young
Sir Francis E Thompson
Sir Thomas Waterman
Sir Frank L Morse
Sir Enoch Beane
Sir Charles H Baldwin
Sir John B Rhodes
Sir Elisha H Moseley
Sir William L Marshall
Sir Albert E Holden.
Sir Charles E Giles Jr
Sir Edward O Hatch
Sir Arthur H Lillie
Sir William R Lewis
Sir Frederick H Hagar.

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|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 22 Sir Ernest A Mason | Sir Edward W Lytton |
| Sir Albert C Sawyer | Sir John Birch |
| Sir Richard A Alwood | Sir Edward W West |
| Sir Harry G Howe | Sir George Edder |
| Sir Edwin R Smyth | Sir Henry M Kowe |
| Sir Almond C Paine | |

A true record

Attest -

Summary - September 20-1899

- 1 Records
- 2 2 Elected for Orders.
- 3 1 Death
- 4 Report of Committee on Apartments
- 5 " " " " " accepted
- 6 Voted to hire hall for Conclaves - \$800
- 7 " " " " " \$2500 but \$200 sent in cases
- 8 Report of Committee on Amendments
- 9 " " " " " accepted
- 10 Amendment to Art IX Sect 5 defeated
- 11 " " " " " VII " " withdrawn
- 12 Acknowledgments
- 13 Request from Palestine. Chelsea for release.
- 14 " " " " " granted
- 15 Amendment offered to Art IX Sect 5 By Laws.
- 16 3 Applications for Orders
- 17 G B closed Red & opened.
- 18 3 on Red Cross.
- 19 G B resumed.
- 20 Committee authorized to nominate officers.
- 21 First meeting in New Temple.
- 22 99 paid G M fee

Sir George B. Emerson was
drowned by falling overboard from a canoe
at Indian Pond Me Thursday Sept. 7 - 1899.

His body was recovered and brought to his
late residence in Allston. His funeral was
held at the First Avenue Congregational Church
Allston Sunday September 10 - 1899 at 2 PM
and was attended by Sir J. Gilman Waite
Sir John Evans Sir Otis B. Marion Sir George
W. Frost Sir Horace A. Jordan Sir Edward F.
Jacobs Sir George W. B. Farnham William B. Farnham
and other members of the Commandery, the
services being conducted by Bethedad Lodge
a F & AM of Brighton

Emerson.

In Memoriam

Sir George B. Emerson.

Born at Belleville Ont. (Native Boston Mo.) October 18 - 1844.

Raised a Master Mason in Bethedad Lodge.
Brighton Mass. June 7 - 1892

Exalted in St Paul's Royal Arch Chapter
Boston Mass June 19 - 1894

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
April 17 - 1895

admitted to membership
April 17 - 1895

Died at Indian Pond Me
Thursday September 7 - 1899

Boston October 17 1899.

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance the dues of the following Sir Knights were remitted:

✓ Sir Stephen T Bacon	1899	\$5
✓ Sir Charles A T Bloom	1899	5
✓ Sir John W Brackett	1899	5
✓ Sir Alexander K Bryer	1899	5
✓ Sir Walter T Bicknell	1897-98-99	15
✓ Sir S Dexter Bowker	1898	5
✓ Sir William H Bailey	1898	5
✓ Sir George W Blish	1898	5
✓ Sir Samuel A Burber	1899	5
✓ Sir John T Gilman	1899	5
✓ Sir Joseph J Hewes	1899	5
✓ Sir Augustus B Howell	1898	5
✓ Sir Thomas De Francis Jr	1899	5
✓ Sir Samuel B Locke	1899	5
✓ Sir Warren L Lovell	1899	5
✓ Sir Charles H Marks	1898-99	10
✓ Sir William M Miller	1899	5
✓ Sir Thomas Merrill	1898	5
✓ Sir Edward L Norris	1896-97-98	15
✓ Sir James P Plimney	1898-99	10
✓ Sir Albert J Pray	1899	5
✓ Sir Benjamin T Porter	1898-99	10
✓ Sir Frederick Riley	1898-99	10

✓ Sir Henry M Smith	1899	\$5
✓ Sir George B Stearns	1898-99	10
✓ Sir Benjamin T Tenney	1899	5

A true record

Attest

Herbert A Rhoades
Recorder

Asylum of Boston Commandery & 3

Ionic Hall Masonic Temple Boston Mass

Wednesday October 18th 1899

Ninety fourth Annual Conclave

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 7¹² o'clock P.M. Eminent Commander William B Lawrence presiding assisted by the following officers.

- | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Sir J Gilman Waite | Generalissimo |
| Sir John H Bowker. | Captain General |
| | Prelate |
| Ent Sir James H Upham. | Associate Prelate |
| Sir Rinaldo B Richardson | Senior Warden. |
| Sir Richard A Atwood | Junior Warden. |
| Ent Sir James M Gleason | Treasurer |
| Sir Herbert A Rhoades. | Recorder. |
| Sir George E Savory | Standard Bearer. |
| Sir Edgar D Hunt. | Sword Bearer. |
| Sir Charles S Durrell | Warder |
| Sir William A Barr | Adjutant |
| Sir James S Blake | Third Guard |
| Sir Jesse E Ames | Second Guard |
| Sir Will A Murtfeldt | First Guard. |

Sir Joseph B Paul.	First Asst Guard
Sir John B MacAlman	Second Asst Guard
Sir Abbott L Aldrich	Third Asst Guard
Sir Frank Badley.	Fourth Asst Guard
Sir Charles B Goldthwaite	Fifth Asst Guard
	Sixth Asst Guard
Sir Frederick Sampson.	Armorer
Sir John B Rhodes	Musical Director
Sir Edward Mac Donald	Sentinel

Absent:

Rev Sir George L Perin Prelate.

Past Eminent Commanders

Present:

Emt Sir John H Ball
 Emt Sir James B Upham
 Emt Sir James M Gleason
 Emt Sir Eugene A Bolton
 Emt Sir Charles J Silchfield.
 Emt Sir Henry H Silchfield

The Records of the Stated
 Conclave of September 20th 1899 were read and
 approved

Emt Sir John H Ball

2 entered the Asylum during the reading of the
 Records and was received with all the marks
 of respect befitting the oldest living Past Com-
 mander of the Commandery

3 Reports were received from
 the committees on the applications of
 Comd Edwin Charles Lewis

Comd George Mac Donald.

Comd William Francis Varnum
 for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was
 taken in each case which proving clear they
 were severally declared entitled to receive the
 Orders in Boston Commandery St B.

4 The Eminent Commander
 reported the following deaths
 Sir Ferdinand M Trifet September 26-1899
 Sir Ora M Douglas. September 28-1899.
 and a Memorial Page was ordered for each.

The following acknowledgment
 was read:

Dorchester Mass.

Oct. 2 1899

Boston Commandery St B

Boston Mass.

5 Dear Sirs..

Accept my deep and grateful appreciation of your kindness and sympathy which was shown me during the great sorrow and grief occasioned by the death of my beloved husband

The assistance of his friends and their many expressions of sympathy have been of great comfort to me indeed

Yours sincerely,
E. E. Sitchfield

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Emt Sir Charles F Sitchfield
in behalf of the committee on proposed amendment presented the following report:-

Boston Oct 18-1899.

To the Eminent Commander

& Sir Mts of Boston Commandery & S

The Committee to whom was referred the Amendment to Art 9 Sec 5 of the By Laws proposed at the Stated Conclave Sept 20th 1899 striking out the word "five" and inserting the word "eight" unanimously recommend its adoption

Charles F Sitchfield

Recd at the command

1 In presenting this report Emt Sir Sitchfield also presented the following:-

Boston October 18th 1899.

Eminent Commander

Officers and Members of Boston Commandery:-

I most respectfully beg leave to present the following amendment:-

That Article VII Section 2 the fifth line commencing with the fourth word of said line, to and including the fourth word in the seventh line of said Section 2 of Article VII be suspended for a term of five years

The words referred to are as follows:-

"of one tenth of the entire ^{annual} receipts of the Commandery excepting the fees for life membership"

Geo W Storer

8 Voted that the report of the committee be accepted

1 On the proposed amendment offered by Sir Storer the following committee was appointed

Emt Sir Charles F Sitchfield

Emt. Sir William B Lawrence.

Sir Thomas J Emery.

10. A motion offered by Sir William C. Ulman that action on the amendment to increase the dues of Boston Commandery be deferred till after action has been taken on the amendment of Sir George W Storer, was lost and it was voted that the recommendation of the committee be adopted.

The vote was as follows:-

Number present	219
Necessary to adopt.	146.
Number in favor.	154
" opposed	3

11. On motion of Sir Ernest B Lovejoy it was voted that so much of the motion adopted at the last Conclave in relation to hiring the armory as applies to the charge for space occupied by cases in the Armory be rescinded; the vote standing

In favor	126
Opposed	6

12. Action on delinquents was then taken with the following results:

Granted no time.	
Sir Frederick Alford	\$ 15
Sir James B Badger	15

121 Sir Walter S blunch.	\$ 15
Sir George W Frost.	15
Sir Charles H Webber	15
Sir George D Winchester	15.

Suspended:-

Sir Emery O Bicknell	\$ 20
Sir Nathaniel S Gould.	15.

Expelled:-

Sir Fred B Pierce	15.
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In this case the vote stood

In favor.	94
Opposed	5.

Referred to the Recorder.

Sir Charles H Dey	\$ 20
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Referred to Em't Sir Henry H Litchfield

Sir Charles D Morrill	\$ 15
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Referred to Em't Sir William B Lawrence

Sir J Henry Worscross.	\$ 15
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13. The Recorder read the names of the following Sir Knights as Delinquents in accordance with Sect 7 Article IV of the

13 By Laws:-

Sir Fredericks Alford	\$ 15	Sir Henry A Maley	\$ 10
Sir Ambrose D Armstrong	10	Sir Hugh M ^c Gully	10
Sir James B Badger	15	Sir George S Minot	10
Sir Eugene M Brown	10	Sir Charles Moore	10
Sir Andrew W Byrne	10	Sir Charles S Merrill	15
Sir James S Byrne	13 ⁷⁵	Sir Stephen Nettles	10
Sir Winthrop D base	10	Sir George S Nichols	10
Sir Albert S Chapman	10	Sir J Henry Norcross	15
Sir Walter S Church	15	Sir Charles S North	10
Sir Thomas Clarke	10	Sir William D Park	10
Sir Charles M Conant	10	Sir Joseph S Parker	10
Sir Charles S Dey	20	Sir George B Pickett	10
Sir William A French	10	Sir David S Rand	10
Sir George W Frost	15	Sir Artemas W Rayner	10
Sir Edward S Gray	10	Sir John W Rockwell	10
Sir George S Hall	10	Sir Martin W Sands	10
Sir Epilman C Hickock	10	Sir Francis Seaverns	10
Sir Edward Hakes	10	Sir Alfred C Smith	10
Sir James S Henry	10	Sir Horace E Spear	10
Sir Henry S Kimball	10	Sir William S Stacy	10
Sir Adam A Koch	10	Sir George Stedman	10
Sir William G Lanson	10	Sir Charles A Stillings	10
Sir Albert C Lane	10	Sir William S Stocker	15
Sir Alvan S Lovejoy	10	Sir Charles B Tucker	10
Sir Walter S Lyons		Sir Fred O Vogelahn	10

13 Sir John J Warden	\$ 10.	Sir Edward S Winsor	\$ 10
Sir Charles S Webber	15	Sir Charles W Woodward	10.
Sir George D Winchester	15.	Sir George A Wyman	10.
Sir Harry S Yates \$10.			

14 The following communication was read:-

West Groton Sept 29-1899.
Sir Knight Herbert A Rhoades.
Recorder Boston Commandery R T.
Please accept my resignation
as a member of Boston Commandery.
Any dues will be promptly paid by
Yours truly
Geo D Shattuck

The Recorder reported Sir Shattuck as clear on the books and it was voted that his request be granted and a Limit issued.

15. The report of the Armorer was read and ordered placed on file

The report of the Recorder was read and ordered placed on file.

17

The Trustees of the Permanent Fund reported as follows. -

In Asylum of Boston Commandery N S
Boston October 18th 1899

The Trustees of the Permanent Fund of Boston Commandery of Knights Templars respectfully submit the following report of the Fund and the receipts and disbursements for the year ending September 30, 1899.

Receipts

Balance of cash October 1-1898.	\$5852.87
For Mortgage Note E. J and R A Dooley.	4500.
" " " " " "	1000.
Int of cash Mortg Note N S 1 Wm J and Abbie L Miller	800.
Int on Mortg Notes E J and R A Dooley 1 year.	275.
" " " " " " 1 mo 3 d.	25.20
Int on Mortg Note #1 Wm J and A L Miller 6 mos.	210.
" " " " #1 " " " 6 "	195.60
" " " " #2 " " " 6 "	105.
Int on Bonds Concord & Montreal R R Co	200.
" " " Cambridge R R Co.	250.
" " " City of Boston	160.
" " " Deposit Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.	77.37
" " " Medford Savings Bank	34.62
Interest on the Membership	6800.
10% of receipts of Boston Commandery N S	558.62 -
	\$21044.28

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Disbursements:-

Loans on Mortgage Wm J and Abbie L Miller	
Estate Harvard St Everett Mass.	
3 years to October 8, 1901.	\$3500.
5 " " April 26, 1904	3000.
Medford Savings Bank.	
Dividends added to principal	34.62
Income on Permanent Fund one year	1532.79
Balance.	12976.87
	<u>\$21044.28</u>

The Permanent Fund is Invested as follows

Note and Mortgage Wm J and Abbie L Miller at 6% (bal)	\$6200.
" " " " " " " "	3500.
" " " " " " " "	3000
5 Concord & Montreal R R 4% June 1 st 1920 Bonds.	5000.
5 Cambridge R R 5% April 1 st 1903 Bonds.	5000.
1 City of Boston 4% April 1 st 1911 Bond	4000.
Medford Savings Bank - Deposit	892.39
Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co - cash on deposit	12976.87
Total.	<u>\$40569.26</u>

The Lot and Monument at Mt Hope Cemetery are also in charge of the Trustees as per vote of the Commandery and the deeds of same are on file with the Securities

Respectfully and Courteously Submitted
William B Lawrence Sec
James H. Hanson Treas.

John S. Durrell
Joseph W. Winter

Trustees of the Permanent Fund of
Boston Commandery of Knights Templars.

18 Voted that the report be ac-
cepted and spread on the record.

19 The Committee on Finance
reported as follows:-

Finance Committee Report.

Asylum of Boston Commandery St. J.
Boston Oct 18, 1899

Sir Knights:-

Your Committee on Finance respectfully submit
the following report for the financial year ending
September 30, 1899

During the year ten stated and five special
conclaves have been held. The special conclaves were
as follows: December 15, 1898 to attend the funeral of
our late Sir Knight Otis S. Neale; January 18, 1899 to
attend the funeral of Sir Samuel B. Lynch; March 1,
1899 to attend the funeral of Sir Daniel B. Stedman;
June 7 to receive two applications for the degrees, and
23 899 to celebrate St. John's Day by an excursion

19 accompanied by our ladies, to Portland Maine and
upon Casco Bay.

On April 11, 1899 the officers and Sir Knights
who participated last year in the St. John's Day
pilgrimage to Baverhill, visited Baverhill Com-
mandery to present the testimonial which was
voted by this Commandery to Baverhill Com-
mandery in appreciation of the knightly
courtesy and generous hospitality extended
to us last year during our St. John's Day pil-
grimage to Baverhill and on the Merrimac River

Work

Thirty one applications for the Orders
have been accepted, and six applications were
rejected. Thirty one Companions R.A. Masons
have received the Illustrious Order of the Red
Cross; and twenty seven Companions of the Red
Cross received the Orders of the Temple and Malta

Membership

Number of members reported Sept 30, 1898.	970.
Admitted during the year ending Sept 30, 1899	27
	997.

from which deduct

Members demitted	4
Expelled for nonpayment of dues.	1
Died before Sept 30, 1899	22
	27
	970.

19 The membership at close of financial year.
Sept 30, 1899 consisted of.

Honorary and Life Members.	369
Members paying annual dues.	599
Exempt by virtue of office (Prelate and Sentinel)	<u>2</u>
	<u>910.</u>

Finances:-

The Recorder has received as follows:-

For the Orders	\$ 2550.
For Membership	50.
For life membership (136 fees)	6800.
For annual dues.	<u>3486.25</u>
	<u>\$ 4886.25</u>

for which he holds receipts of Treasurer

Amount of unpaid dues at last annual conclave was \$3888.75

Annual dues for 1899 committed for collection 3377.50

Dues for 1900 paid in advance 5.

and accounted for as follows.

Cash received	\$ 3486.25
Dues remitted by Finance Committee	80.
Dues remitted by Commandery.	10.
Dues cancelled by expulsion	15
Dues cancelled by death	30
Dues unpaid for 1896.	15.

19 Dues unpaid for 1897. 85.
Dues unpaid for 1898. 625.
Dues unpaid for 1899 2925.

\$ 7,271.25

The Treasurer had on hand as per last
Annual Report.

\$ 6081.40

Cash received from Recorder.

Dues	\$ 3486.25
For orders.	2550.
Memberships	50.
Life memberships	<u>6800.</u> 12886.25

Cash received from leases of regalia cases. 110.25

Cash received from interest on deposits 80.13

Cash received from income of Permanent Fund
for one year ending Sept 30, 1899. 1532.79

Cash voted for charity in 1898 and not expended 30.

Cash received from sale of tickets for Pittsburgh
Triennial 7444.50

Cash received from sales of badges. 439.

Gift of S. G. Lawrence toward music for
Pittsburgh Pilgrimage 525.

Dividend to contributors to 26th triennial not
called for. 8.26

Cash received from sale of tickets for St John's
Day Pilgrimage to Portland June 23-24, 1899. 1782.

Total receipts \$30,919.58

19	Disbursements are as follows	
	Grand Commandery dues.	
	Dues for 31 candidates at \$5 each.	\$155.
	Per capita tax 972 members at 25¢ each.	243. 398.
	Rent (including 11 months' rent of two lower floor rooms,	1864.
	For lighting lower floor rooms.	12.51
	For rent of vault & safe & deposit box	10.
	Insurance (\$239.85) and storage (\$5	244.85
	Rejected candidates (6) fees returned	450.
	Membership fee returned	50.
	Trustees Permanent Fund, life memberships	6800.
	Trustees Permanent Fund, 10 income	558.62
	Recorder, salary from Oct 1898 to Oct 1899	400.
	Recorder, copying records in duplicate	238.25
	Postage (\$246.60) and envelopes. (11402	360.62
	Stationery, official paper	20.
	Printing (\$353.05) and 1 transcription 1750.	370.55
	Engraving and engraving	51.70
	Record Books.	21.75
	Revenue stamps for checks etc.	10.08
	Sundries	4.30
	Reverend	50.
	Funeral	255.
	Illustrating Prelate's work	40
	Music at conclaves.	165.
	Funeral expenses as follows:	

19	barriages and cars.	32.89
	Arranger, services for funerals	15.
	Printing notices of	68.15
	Flowers	231.20
	Lunches.	3529 382.03
	Charity, as per vouchers on file	454.84
	Eff. message, and telephone charges.	5.99
	Collations at conclaves	
	Food.	86540
	Cigars	182. 104740
	Repairing of cases etc	10791
	Repairing paraphernalia	38.30
	Repairs on regalia; armory supplies etc	5464
	Moving, safe \$401 (furniture and cases \$127.39)	167.39
	Jewel of Past Commander.	200
	Testimonial to Staverhill Commandery	134
	Testimonial to E Sir John St Hall	11.
	St Johns Day expenses to Portland and return June 23 and 24.	2598.34
	Expenses Pittsburgh 27 th triennial	11351.60
	Cash in hands of Treasurer.	1991.37
	Total	\$30.919.58

The account of the expenses of the year includes the Pittsburgh Triennial account, the bills for which were not all received before the last annual conclave. It will be remembered

- 19 that the Commandery by vote instructed the committee to increase the accommodations secured from 125 persons to 250 persons in order that the ladies might accompany the Commandery. The number however of Sir & nights and ladies participating in the conclave did not increase in like proportion and a deficiency of \$660.74 was thereby created by payment for the full number guaranteed under the terms of the official contract.

The net income received this year from the 28 candidates for the orders was \$2100 as compared with \$3825. received last year from 51 candidates being a decrease in income from fees for the orders of about \$1725. This decrease in income from receipts for the orders appeared more than probable early in the year if we could judge from the amount of work then being done by other Commanderies in Boston and vicinity. This decrease in the fees paid by candidates for the orders was a serious matter. Few of our members realize that the receipts from dues together with the income from the hermanent fund are not sufficient to meet one half of the expenses of running the Commandery and that more than one half of the expenses of the year must be paid for by the fees from candidates on account of the low rate of dues which has prevailed in this

- 19 Commandery for fifty years. The Council therefore at once decided to make every possible reduction of expenses which could be made without injury to the interests of the Commandery. It was decided to omit the usual ladies night entertainment, to omit the celebration of Easter Day and to concentrate our efforts to entertain our ladies upon St John's Day Pilgrimage of two days duration.

The price of tickets for the St John's Day Pilgrimage was fixed by vote of the Commandery at \$8 for a Sir Knight and \$7 for a lady in order to insure the largest attendance of our members with their ladies and to promote sociability among our members. 235 persons participated in the St John's Day Pilgrimage accompanied by a band of 25 pieces. The expenses of the pilgrimage this year were \$2598.³⁰ and the receipts were \$1182 leaving a deficit of \$816.³⁰ which was \$304.⁹⁵ less than the combined deficits from the three entertainments of the previous year. It is open to grave doubt whether with the increase of our necessary entertainments can continue to be given for the benefit of our ladies for a less price than the actual cost thereof. For several years the Commandery has been extremely liberal in such matters.

The amount spent for collations was \$154.⁰⁰

19 | this year as compared with \$2012⁵⁵ for the previous year, being a reduction in this item of expense of \$965¹⁵

The amount spent for funeral expenses this year was \$382⁰⁵ as against \$1,124⁷³ for previous year being a reduction in this item of expense of \$742⁸⁸

The payment to the permanent fund of one tenth of the income (exclusive of life membership fees) amounted to \$558⁶² this year, and the income received from the permanent fund amounted to \$1532⁷⁹ making our net income from the permanent fund \$974¹⁷. This income was more than sufficient to pay the deficit of \$816³⁴ for the St. Louis day bill, a bill of June 23 and June 24 to the St. Louis and

The unpaid bills consist of a bill not yet rendered for our proportional part of the expense of maintenance of Right Eminent Sir Eugene de Richards at the McLean Asylum and a bill for materials furnished and labor not yet rendered completed upon the regalia cases in the new armory.

The Permanent Fund as shown by the report of the Treasurer has increased \$7358⁶² since the last annual report. Of this increase \$6800 has been caused by the receipt of 136 bills this year for bills as compared with 122 bills received.

19 | The number of members who have taken out life membership from its establishment in 1874 to the present time is 429, of which number 121 were added since January 1899. The number of life members who have deceased to date is 67 leaving the present number of life members 362.

The balance of cash in the general fund in the hands of the Treasurer October 1, 1899 is \$1991³⁷. The amount of the dues uncollected October 1, 1899 is \$3,650.

That the amount of unpaid dues is so large namely \$3,650. is largely due to the neglect of the members in complying with Article 18 of the Bylaws which provides in Section 5 that "each member, except honorary and life members, shall, at the annual convocation in each year, pay the Recorder \$5 for the support of the Commandery"; in Section 8 thereof it is further provided that "any member neglecting to pay his dues or assessments for one year shall forfeit his membership unless a satisfactory excuse be offered, two months' notice of the time when and the place where action will be taken in his case being first given by the Recorder to the said delinquent". It has been the custom of a large number of our members not to pay the dues in October at the annual convocation but to wait until October of the next year and some

22

Boston Mass. Sept 25, 1899

To the Chairman of the Committee appointed this day to nominate Officers for 12 months commandery of Knights Templars to be elected at the Annual Conclave in 1899.

This is to give you and your association notice that I am not and cannot be a candidate for the Office of Treasurer for the ensuing Templar year.

Very courteously yours

James M. Gleason

23

Voted that the report of the committee be accepted and spread on the records.

24

The following amendment to the By Laws was offered by Sir H. Gilman Waite:-

To amend Article III Section 1 by striking out the word "right" in the last line and inserting in place thereof the word "elect" so that the Article as amended will read:-

"Sect 1 The first eleven officers shall be elected annually by written or printed ballot;" etc

Referred to a committee consisting of
Emt Sir James M. Gleason
Sir Albert A. Tolson
Sir Richard H. Angood

25

The Eminent Commander.

appointed the following committees to distribute collect seat and count votes.

First Committee

Emt Sir Charles F. Litchfield
Sir William C. Ulman
Sir Marcus C. Cook.

Second Committee

Emt Sir Henry H. Litchfield
Sir John H. Lakin
Sir Ernest F. Lovejoy

26

The ballot for Eminent

Commander was as follows:-

Whole number of votes cast.	156.
Sir H. Gilman Waite had	149

and was elected

27

Emt Sir James H. Upham
Emt Sir James M. Gleason
Emt Sir Eugene A. Bolton
Emt Sir Charles F. Litchfield
were appointed a committee to introduce Sir H. Gilman Waite who accepted the position thanking the members for their confidence

27 pledging himself to do all in his power to uphold the good name and usefulness of the Commandery and asking the cooperation and support of the members in the trying times through which we are passing.

28 The remainder of the officers nominated were voted on with the following results:-

For Generalissimo

Whole number of votes cast 152
Sir John St Bowler had 157
and was elected.

For President

Whole number cast 151
Mr. Robert H. Jones had 157
and was elected.

For Prelate

Whole number cast 152
Rev. Dr. George E. Dean had 150

For Senior Warden

Mr. Robert H. Jones had 172
and was elected.

For Junior Warden

First ballot

Whole number cast 179
Necessary for a choice 90
Mr James S Blake had 13
Sir George E Savory had 82
Sir Charles Stannell had 84
and there was no choice.

Second ballot

Whole number cast 164
Necessary for a choice 83
Scattering 1
Mr James S Blake had 8
Sir Charles Stannell had 76
Sir George E Savory had 77
and there was no choice.

Third ballot

Whole number cast 136
Necessary for a choice 69
Mr James S Blake had 5
Sir Charles Stannell had 64
Sir George E Savory had 67
and there was no choice.

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Fourth Ballot

Whole number of votes cast.	124.
Necessary for a choice	63
Sir George E Savory had.	59
Sir Charles S Darnell had	65

and Sir Charles S Darnell was elected.

Previous to the Ballot

Junior Warden the Eminent Commander also invited the following committee to collect the ballots for that office.

Sir John de Broughton
Sir Henry Samuel
Sir Albert A Stolsom

For Treasurer

Whole number cast.	152
Sir James D Pennington had.	150

and was elected

For Recorder

Whole number cast.	128
Sir Herbert A Rhoades had	128

and was elected

For Committee of the Eminent Council

Three Years

28

Whole number cast.

104.

Sir John S Darnell had 95
and was elected.

During the balloting Emt Sir Lawrence was obliged to return and called Emt Sir Charles S Ditchfield to the East.

29

At the close of the balloting Emt Sir Charles S Ditchfield performed the Installation Service being assisted by Emt Sir Henry de Ditchfield.

The Eminent Commander elect was presented, the oath of office administered and.

Sir J. Gylman Waite was duly installed Eminent Commander of Post-Commandery St J for the ensuing Term a year.

30

Before leaving the East the Eminent Commander appointed Emt Sir James de Uplham Associate Prelate and owing to the lateness of the hour the remaining officers were not appointed. Ritual N^o 423 was turned over to the Eminent Commander by the Recorder.

31

The following officers
were then presented, obligated and installed
into their respective offices

Sir John H Bowker	Generalissimo
Sir Rinaldo B Richardson	Captain General
Emt Sir James H Uthman	Associate Treasr
Sir James H Rommies	Treasurer
Sir Herbert A Rhodes	Recorder

32

The usual proclamation
was made

The remaining officers
were left until a future convlave for instal-
lation owing to the lateness of the hour.

There being no further
business the Commandery was closed in
Due Form at twelve o'clock and fifteen minutes
P.M.

After closing the Com-
mandery a lunch was served in the Ban-
quet Hall

At the close of the night
laid a portion of the necessary work was done

33 enrolled Life Members:

Sir George Andrew Wyman
Sir Bartholomew M Young.
Sir Charles H Braiser
Sir Wesley S Page
Sir Clarence M Howlett
Sir James Bean
Sir Isaac H Small
Sir James Berwick
Sir John A Campbell
Sir Eugene L Sherry.
Sir Fred H Lincoln
Sir George H Smith
Sir Henry A Dickerman Jr.
Sir Alexander L Burke
Sir John J Higgins
Sir Franklin L Bedman
Sir George W Harvey.
Sir Henry A Davis Jr.
Sir Charles A O'Carney
Sir Robert L Orpin
Sir Henry L Sherry.

Attest:

Herbert A Rhodes
Recorder

Summary Report

- 1 Records
- 2 Ent Sir John L Hall Received
- 3 Selected to Orders
- 4 Deaths
- 5 Acknowledgment
- 6 Report on amendment
- 7 Amendment proposed to Art VII Sect 2.
- 8 Report accepted
- 9 Committee on proposed amendment.
- 10 Amendment Art 9 Sect 5 adopted raising dues to \$8.
- 11 Charge for cases rescinded
- 12 Delinquents granted further time. ^{action on others}
- 13 Names of Delinquents read.
- 14 Geo D Shattuck granted a limit
- 15 Report of Amorer placed on file
- 16 " " Recorder " " "
- 17 " " Trustees of Permanent Fund
- 18 Accepted and spread on Records
- 19 Report of Committee on Finance
- 20 Accepted and spread on Records
- 21 Report of Nominal Comm.
- 22 Resignation of Ent. on grounds of age
- 23 Report accepted and spread on Records
- 24 Proposed amendment to Art III Sect 1
- 25 Sellers
- 26 Dr. Selman Waite elected on committee

27. Sir Waite accepts.
28. Election of remaining officers
29. Installation of Eminent Commander.
30. Appointment of Associate Prelate - (1) Ritual turned over.
31. 5 officers installed
32. Proclamation
33. 2nd Sir Waite's laid part of 2nd in the

Sir Ferdinand M Briel
died at his home 28 Chaillot, France, London
ter Tuesday September 26, 1899.

His funeral was from his late residence, Sun-
day September 29, 1899 at 1 o'clock P.M. and was
attended by the following Sir Knights as a com-
mittee from the Commandery:

Emt Sir Eugene A Bolton

Sir Augustus Ridgeway

Sir Albert S Richards

Sir Warren B Ellis

Sir Josiah S Dyer

Many other Sir Knights including the General-
issimo and Captain General were present at the
services which were conducted by Joseph War-
ren Lodge of Boston.

Sir Ora M Douglas died
September 28 1899. His funeral was held
Sunday October 1-1899 at 1 o'clock P.M. from
his late residence Hotel Gladstone, Roxbury
and was attended by the following Sir Knights:-

Emt Sir James Ab William	Sir Richard A Wood
Sir Will A Muhlheidt	Sir Edward P William
Sir Harry E Wright	Sir Elisha H. Mosley
Sir William W. Wright	

In Memoriam

Sir Ferdinand M Briel

Born at Paris France.

September 10-1848.

Raised a Master Mason in Joseph Warren Lodge
Boston Mass.

November 24-1891

Exalted in St Andrews Royal Arch Chapter
Boston Mass

December 2-1891

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
February 17-1892

admitted to membership

February 17-1892

Died at Dorchester Mass

Tuesday September 26-1899

In Memoriam

Sir Ora M Douglas.

Born at Lewiston Me August 31-1868

Raised a Master Mason in Good Samaritan Lodge Reading Mass. July 20-1892

Exalted in Reading Royal Arch Chapter Reading Mass. June 21-1894

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple a Knight Templar in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars June 19-1895
admitted to membership June 19-1895

Died at Roxbury Mass. Thursday October 25-1895

Program of Boston Commandery #3

Temple Hall Masonic Temple Boston Mass

Wednesday November 15th 1899

Stated Conclave

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 6⁴⁵ o'clock P M Eminent Commander of Gilman Waite presiding assisted by the following officers:

Sir John B Bowker	Generalissimo
Sir Rinaldo B Richardson	Chancellor
Sir George L Torin	Relator
Emt Sir James B Upham	Associate Relator
Sir James D Kenning	Treasurer
Sir Herbert A Rhoades	Recorder
	Standard Bearer
Sir Edgar B Hunt.	Sword Bearer
Sir Richard A Alwood	as Senior Warden
Sir Charles S Hamrell	as Junior Warden
Sir James S Blake.	as Warder
Sir William A Barr.	Adjutant
	Third Guard
Sir Oscar S Ames.	Second Guard
Wm A Murkitt	First Guard

Sir Joseph S Paul	First Asst Guard
Sir John H MacAlman	Second Asst Guard
Sir Abbott & Aldrich	Third Asst Guard
Sir Frank Hadley	Fourth Asst Guard
Sir Charles H Goldthwaite	Fifth Asst Guard
	Sixth Asst Guard
Sir Frederick Sampson	Armorer
Sir Thomas M Carter	as Musical Director
Sir Edward MacDonald	Sentinel

Absent:-

Sir George E Savory	Standard Bearer
Sir John B Rhodes	Musical Director

Past & present Commanders

present:-

Ent Sir James H Whelan
 Ent Sir James M Gleason
 Ent Sir Eugene A Holton
 Ent Sir Leonard B Nichols
 Ent Sir Charles J Litchfield
 Ent Sir Henry H Litchfield
 Ent Sir William B Lawrence

The Records of the Annual
 Conclave of October 18th 1899 were read and
 approved

2 Official Circular No 1 and
 General Orders No 1 Series 1899-1900 were read and
 placed on file.

3 Applications for the
 Orders of Knighthood were received from

Comd John Weigel
 Residence:- 306 Dudley Street Roxbury
 Occupation:- Electrician
 Place of Business:- 29 Pemberton Square Boston
 Member of Columbian Lodge Boston
 " " St Andrews R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir Jesse E Ames
 Committee Sir Thomas W Swan Sir John A Campbell
 Sir Joseph S Paul

Comd Hezekiah McLaughlin
 Residence:- 55 Deylight Street Boston M
 Occupation:- Mason Builder
 Place of Business:- 482 Tremont Street Boston
 Member of Columbian Lodge Boston
 " St Pauls R A Chapter "
 Recommended by Sir Jesse E Ames
 " " Sir W Blifton Jones Sir Leon M Abbott
 Sir Francis S Walton

3. Don't Edward Maurice Esq.
 Residence:- 41 Holiday Street Worcester
 Occupation:- Laundry man
 Place of Business:- 59 West Newton Street Boston
 Member of St John's Lodge Boston
 " " St Andrews R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir William P. Creamer.
 Committee: Sir Richard A. Wood, Sir John P. ...
 Sir James St. Blise

4. Applications for Limits
 were received and referred to committees as follows
 From Sir Edwin D. Wadsworth to Sir Henry St. John
 " Sir Charles A. Burdett " Sir George W. Prescott
 " Sir Salem Wilder " Sir John B. Rhodes
 " Sir Charles A. Burdett " Sir Charles B. Fitchfield
 " Sir Charles A. Jones " Sir George W. Fitchfield
 " Sir Charles A. Jones " Sir George W. Fitchfield
 " Sir George W. Prescott " " do.
 " Sir William A. Barker " Sir Robert A. Rhodes
 " Sir Wellington Billmore " " do.

5. in behalf of the committee on proposed amendment
 presented the following
 to the Executive Council

6. Members of Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
 The committee to whom was referred the amend-
 ment to Art III Sec 1 of the By Laws of Boston Com-
 mandery & S as proposed by Em't Sir J. Gilman
 Waite by striking out the word "eight" and in-
 serting therefor the word "eleven" have attended
 to the duty and beg leave to report that they are
 of the unanimous opinion that the amendment
 should be adopted; the section would then read:-
 "Sec 1. The first eleven Officers shall be elected
 annually by written or limited Ballot; etc
 Submitted.

James M. Gleason
 for the Committee

6. It was voted that the
 report of the committee be accepted

7. On the question of the
 adoption of the recommendation of the Com-
 mittee it was voted that it be not adopted
 there being 102 members present and only
 2 voting in favor

8. Sir Knight Albert G. Pray
 was reported as being blind, ill and in desti-
 tute circumstances and it was voted that

8. his case be referred to the Council with full powers to take such measures for his relief as they think proper and necessary.

9 Sir H. W. William Duffer were reported ill.

10 On motion of Rev Sir George L. Ferin it was unanimously voted by a rising vote that the thanks of Boston Commandery & S be extended to Em. Sir James M. Mason for his long and faithful services in the office of Treasurer.

11 Em. Sir J. Gilman White on behalf of the Council presented the following report:-

In Boston Commandery & S.

Boston Nov 15-1899.

To the Sir Knights

Members of Boston Commandery & S.

The Council having completed the work of fitting up the Armory ready for your occupancy would respectfully report that the expenses incurred for the same have been as follows:-

11 Paid: Am M ^o Gaw for labor and use of Machinery	408.93
" La. Sumner furnished as per itemized &c.	224.97
" Lewis B. Perry & Whitney & Co Decorators for labor.	90.55
Materials furnished as per itemized &c.	33.97
Paid. B. S. Moulton & Co Hanging pictures	10.50
Paid. J. Frederick Sampson.	
Labor performed & employed	50.
Incidentals	5.40
Paid Gilbert Brooks & Sebbutt	
Cleaning and altering Carpet	7.52
Total	\$ 831.84

It has been possible to save all the cases that were in the Armory at the time of the fire in 1895 although having been twice removed and set up since that event. While with a single exception every member is now in possession of his original case it goes without saying that it has been impossible to preserve the same order as in the "Old Armory" and a renumbering of the cases seemed a necessity.

There are now three Black Walnut cases for the permanent use of the Council and one hundred twenty nine for the use of the Sir Knights also one hundred two Oak cases for

11 The use of the Sir Knights making in all accommodations for the Regalias & Sir Knights numbered sixty two Sir Knights.

The result of our labors is submitted for your inspection in the hope that it will meet your approval.

No action has been taken relative to the furnishing of the Parlor here, owing to the fact that it is in the consideration and action of the Commandery.

Courteously

J. Gilman Waite E. C.
J. H. Bowler. Genl.
Rinaldo B. Richardson C. G.

12

The following communication

was read.

Boston, October 2, 1899

Boston Commandery, N. 3

Dear Sirs,

It is with sincerest appreciation & your kindness that I acknowledge the flowers which you sent to Mr. Douglas.

Assuring you that such thoughtfulness will be ever remembered.

Very Sincerely,

May 8, 1900

13

The Eminent Commander.

announced the following appointments:-

For Standard Bearer.	Sir John H. Boughton
For Sword Bearer	Sir Edgar D. Hunt
For Adjutant	Sir William A. Barr.
For Warden.	Sir James S. Blake.
For Third Guard	Sir Isaac E. Ames
For Second Guard	Sir Will A. Munkelt
For First Guard.	Sir Joseph D. Paul
For First Asst Guard	Sir John H. MacAlman
For Second Asst Guard	Sir Abbott S. Aldrich
For Third Asst Guard.	Sir Frank S. Hadley
For Fourth Asst Guard.	Sir Charles H. Goldthwaite
For Fifth Asst Guard	Sir Leon M. Abbott
For Armorer	Sir G. Frederick Sampson
For Musical Director	Sir Thomas M. Carter
For Sentinel	Sir Edward MacAlman

14

Emt Sir Charles S. Sitchfield

assumed the East and with the assistance of Emt Sir Henry S. Sitchfield installed the following officers:

For Sir George S. Perin	Prelate
Sir Richard A. Atwood	Senior Warden
Sir Charles S. Darnell	Junior Warden

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| 14. Sir John H. Houghton | Standard |
| Sir Edgar St. Hunt | Sword Bearer |
| Sir William A. Barr | Adjudicator |
| Samuel S. Blake | Warden |
| Sir Jesse E. Ames | Third Guard |
| Sir Will. A. Mumford | Second Guard |
| Sir Joseph S. Paul | First Guard |
| Sir John H. MacAlman | First Asst. Guard |
| Sir Abbott L. Aldrich | Second Asst. Guard |
| Sir George H. Adams | Third Asst. Guard |
| Sir Charles H. Goldmann | Fourth Asst. Guard |
| Sir Frederick S. Sampson | Usher |
| Sir Thomas W. Barlow | Union Bearer |
| Sir Edward MacDonnell | Pen |

The following is a list of the names of the members of the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar, who have been elected to the office of Sir Knight, since the last meeting of the Grand Commandery, on the 31st of October, 1899.

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BOSTON COMMANDERY, K.T.

OFFICE OF THE EMINENT COMMANDER,
BOSTON, MASS., November 9, 1899.

SIR KNIGHT:

It becomes incumbent upon me at this time to lay before you the action of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island at its Annual Conclave held October 31, ultimo, relative to Life Membership in its subordinate Commanderies, and to state how that action bears upon a considerable portion of the members of Boston Commandery.

The question of Life Membership having been alluded to by the Right Eminent Grand Commander in his annual address in 1895, the subject was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence for examination and report. That Committee made its report May 20, 1897. We copy from that report the following, which refers to the matter under consideration:—

"It seems to the Committee that in view of the importance of the subject Grand Commandery ought to legislate thereon to the extent at least of requiring,—
"First. That life membership fees when established shall be fixed at a sum equal at least to the amount of fifteen times the sum required as annual dues, and in no case to be less than fifty dollars."

Our life membership fee being fifty dollars, and the By-Law establishing it having been in force since 1874, it was construed by my predecessors—in which opinion I joined—that the act of the Grand Commandery of 1897 was covered by our existing By-Laws, which bore the approval of the Grand Commandery as follows: October 28, 1874, May 23, 1879, October 29, 1880, and May 24, 1894, presumably that of October 28, 1874, covering the one now under consideration.

Recently the Grand Commander has been asked to give a ruling on the force and application of the recommendation above quoted, which was adopted in 1897. This request was in due course referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who reported the following:—

"Resolved, That from and after the adoption of the order respecting life membership fees adopted May 20, 1897, the fees for life membership in any Commandery of this jurisdiction shall be at least fifteen times the sum required by its annual dues, but shall in no case be less than fifty dollars."

"The recommendation of the Committee was that all certificates of life membership issued after the adoption of this order on May 20, 1897, were subject to this regulation."

All efforts to have the Resolution take effect as of October 31, 1899 were successfully baffled, and the Grand Commandery, by a large majority, sustained the Committee on Jurisprudence in its interpretation of the act of May 20, 1897.

Thus are we brought to the consideration of the situation that Boston Commandery is in as regards the certificates of life membership issued to its members since May 20, 1897. The Grand Commandery having decided that they have been illegally issued, as to the amount paid by each Sir Knight, it must be conclusively held that that which is illegally done cannot be binding upon either of the contracting parties. From the action of the Grand Commandery there lies no appeal. By the advancing of our dues to eight dollars per year life membership *in the future* becomes not less than one hundred and twenty dollars.

The situation has been stated to so great length hoping that each Sir Knight interested may give it due consideration and decide for himself what are his own interests in the matter.

It is optional with each Sir Knight who has paid fifty dollars within the specified time to consummate the life membership, so far perfected, by the payment of twenty-five dollars, thus making the seventy-five dollars which the Grand Commandery decides should have been paid at first; or the Sir Knight who has paid fifty dollars—which by the decision above referred to must be held as a partial payment of the fee—must have the right of receiving back that sum from the Commandery, less the regular yearly dues accruing to October, 1899, if any there be.

Having tried to state the case clearly in all its bearings, it is hoped each Sir Knight interested will study it carefully as his interests may appear, and, having made his conclusion, advise the Recorder of it at no very distant day.

ATTEST:
HERBERT A. RHOADES,
Recorder.

Courteously and fraternally,
J. GILMAN WAITE,
Eminent Commander.

15. ... by returning their certificates
Receipts to the Recorder. (A copy of the circular
is inserted in these records).

16. On motion of Sir Ahrend
to P. P. the Recorder was instructed to send
a letter of condolence to Mrs John A Logan
on the death of her son Maj. John A Logan Jr.

In accordance with this
vote the Recorder sent the following letter:-

Boston Nov 16th 1891

Mrs John A Logan

Washington D C

Dear Madam:-

Boston Commandery of Knights
Templars bears in kind remembrance your
previous reception at the time of the funeral in
Washington and sympathizes with you in
this your hour of bereavement, and by their
action on the 14th inst. have
instructed by vote of the members to convey
to you their condolences upon your great loss.

Very cordially,
Yours,

Herbert A Rhoades

Recorder.



18

The Order of the Temple was then conferred in Due Form and with full ceremonies and.

Camp Gilbert Hedges.

Camp Samuel Meader.

Camp Samuel Crocker Lawrence & were created and dubbed Knights of the Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple. Knights Templar.

19

The Order of Malta was then conferred in the Short Form and the same Sir Knights were created and the Knights of Malta after which they remained in the Recorder's desk and signed by the same.

20

On motion of the Committee Charles B. Sitchin it was unanimously voted that the thanks of the Communion be extended to Sir Knight John H. H. for his faithful services as Organist and Musical Director for so many years. Sir Knight having declined a recommendation to be an officer which had been made and no more.

The meeting adjourned.

21. The By-Laws were altered by the Committee and Article III Section 1 by adding the word "and".

"No officer having served one full term as such is permitted to resign or be elected to said office."

This was referred to a committee consisting of

Emt Sir Leonard B. Nichols

Sir John B. North

Sir Albert A. Tolson.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at eleven o'clock and seven minutes P.M.

Minutes of the

Meeting of the

Meeting of the

Among the visiting Sir Knights was Sir Frank H. H. of Boston.

22. Sir Samuel B. H. asked that he be constituted him a Sir Member and the following Sir Knights paid the balance of the

24 for to complete their Life Memberships

Sir George A. Ditcomb

Sir Franklin E. Russell

Sir Thomas A. Buss

Sir Walter S. Kramer

Sir Edward A. Seaver

Sir Clement G. Miller

Sir Henry G. ...

Sir John S. Beauchamp

Sir Herbert L. Kellogg

Sir Edward W. ...

Sir Charles ...

Sir Edward ...

1. The record

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Summary November 15th 1899

1. Records.
2. Official Circular No 1 General Orders No 1 read.
3. 3 applications for Orders.
4. 9 " " Limits referred
5. Report of committee on proposed amendment.
6. Report accepted
7. Amendment defeated
8. Measures for relief of Sir Albert G. Pray
9. Illness.
10. Thanks to Em. Sir James M. Gleason.
11. Report of Council on Army.
12. Acknowledgment.
13. Acknowledgments
14. Installation
15. Circular in relation to Life Memberships
16. Condolances to Mrs John A. Logan.
17. Copy of letter sent
18. 3 on Temple
19. 3 " Malta
20. Thanks to Sir John B. Rhodes
21. Amendment to Art III Sect 1 proposed.
22. 1 paid & M Dec - 13 paid balance & M Dec

Assembly of the Commandery K.T.

Ionic Hall. Masonic Temple Boston Mass.

Thursday December 14th 1899.

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 9 o'clock
A Mr Eminent Commander of Gilman Waite
presiding assisted by the following officers:-

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|----------------------------|------------------|
| Sir John H Bowker. | Generalissimo |
| Sir Rinaldo B Richardson | Captain General |
| Rev Sir George S Pezin | Prelate |
| Sir Richard R Alwood | Senior Warden |
| Sir Jesse S Ames | as Junior Warden |
| Emt Sir Henry H Sitchfield | as Treasurer |
| Sir Herbert A Rhoades. | Recorder |
| Sir John H Boughton | Standard Bearer |
| Sir Almond H of Pope. | as Color Bearer |
| Sir Thomas H Mackenran | as Sword Bearer |
| Sir Abbott S Aldrich | as Warden. |
| Sir Will A Murtfeldt | as Guards. |
| Sir Charles H Goldthwaite | |
| Sir William P Creamer | |
| Sir Frank H Nowell. | |
| Sir J Frederick Sampson | Armorer |
| Sir Thomas M Carter | Musical Director |
| Sir Edward Mac Donald. | Sentinel |

Past Eminent Commanders

present:-

Emt Sir Frederick T Barnes.

Emt Sir Charles T Sitchfield.

Emt Sir Henry T Sitchfield.

Emt Sir William B Lawrence.

also at the church.

Emt Sir James T Upham.

Emt Sir Leonard B Nichols.

The Eminent Commander
announced that the bonclave was called to
attend the funeral of

Rt Emt Sir Eugene T Richards.
at Kings Chapel Boston and the following
Dispensation was read:-

Grand Commandery of King's Chapel
and the

Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.
Office of the Grand Commander.
Roxbury Dec 13th 1899.

To the Eminent Commander Officers and
Brethren of King's Chapel Commandery No 1
Boston.

Good cause having been shown & by virtue
of the power in me vested as Grand Commander

of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and
Rhode Island do hereby grant this my dispensation
authorizing you to appear in full Templar Uniform
and with music for the purpose of attending the
funeral of Past Grand Commander Eugene T
Richards to be held in Kings Chapel Boston on
Dec 14th 1899.

Due and proper return will be made to me of
the action had under this authority and this
dispensation filed in the Archives of the Com-
mandery and spread in full upon its records

Given under my hand and the seal of the
Grand Commandery this 13th day of
December A D 1899 A O 781



Herbert D Morse

Grand Commander

The lines were formed
and at 9⁴⁵ o'clock the body was taken under
escort at the Temple and the Commandery
headed by Bartons Boston Commandery Band
marched to Kings Chapel where the services
were held.

Previous to the Com-
mandery services a short service was held
by Rev E. A. Barton.

At the conclusion of the

Sir Abbott L Aldrich	First Asst. Guard
Sir J Frank Hadley	Second Asst. Guard
Sir Charles H Goldthwaite	Third Asst. Guard
Sir Leon M Abbott	Fourth Asst. Guard
Sir F Frederick Samhson.	Fifth Asst. Guard
Sir Thomas M Carter	Armorer
Sir Edward Mac Donald	Musical Director
	Sentinel.

Absent:-

Sir Edgar D Hunt	Sword Bearer
Sir John H Mac Almar	First Asst. Guard.

Past Eminent. Commanders

Present.

Em't Sir James H Upham
 Em't Sir James M Gleason
 Em't Sir Eugene A Hollar
 Em't Sir Leonard B Nichols
 Em't Sir Charles S Sitchfield
 Em't Sir Henry H Sitchfield
 Em't Sir William B Lawrence

The Records of the Stated
 Conclave of November 15th 1899 and of the Special
 Conclave of December 14th 1899 were read and
 approved.

2 Reports were received from
 the applications of
 Com' John Weigel
 Com' Abzekeah M E Laughlin
 Com' Edward Maurice Fielding
 for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was
 taken in each case which proving clear they
 were severally declared to be elected to receive
 the Orders in Boston Commandery H B

3 Em't Sir Leonard B Nichols
 on behalf of the Committee reported that the
 proposed amendment to Article III Section 1
 ought not to be adopted.

4 Voted that the report of
 the committee be accepted

5 A count of the members
 showed. 86 present and on motion it was
 voted that the amendment be not adopted
 4 only voting in favor of its adoption

General Orders No. 2
 Series 1899-1900 were read and placed on
 file.

The following was read:-

Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
and the
Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island
General Orders } Office of the R. E. Grand Commander
Series 1899-1900 } 1 Walnut Ave. Boston, Mass.
No. 3 } Telephone No. 69-2 Roxbury

To all Knights Templars within the jurisdiction
of this Grand Commandery:-

The Committee on Christmas observance of the
Grand Encampment of the United States of
America has prepared the following toast:-

To our Most Eminent Grand Master, Reuben
Bedley Lloyd:- May the Lord send him
all the blessings which his faithful
Knights wish him on this merry Christ-
mas Day.

The Grand Master sends the following
message:-

Sir Knights: May He who provides all
things, endow you with wisdom and power
to illustrate in your lives and conduct
the principles taught by the Order. We
adventure this to

Monday December 25 at noon, Eastern Standard
time?

While this is a day above all others that
be observed and enjoyed by Knights
Templars, in their homes, in the interchange
of good wishes and congratulations, yet it is
that so far as possible the Sir Knights in
this jurisdiction will assemble for a short
time, in their Masonic homes and join with
the Grand Commander in sending such a
greeting to Most Eminent Sir Reuben Bedley
Lloyd and in wishing him such a Merry
Christmas that he will feel that not only
is this Grand Commandery loyal to the Grand
Encampment but that every Sir Knight is
truly loyal to our noble Order.

And Sir Knights in the joyousness of
the day let us not forget those who are less
fortunate than ourselves and may feel that
they are so strange in a strange land and
welcome them to our festivities for it is
more blessed to give than to receive?

This notice will be read at the head of
each Commandery at and borne upon
the notice of the Stated Conclave
next succeeding Dec. 25, 1899 at 11:00



P. M. C. 1899

Grand Recorder.

Robert H. M. C.

Grand Commander

8. The applications for limits laid over from the last stated, or since some taken up and acted upon as follows:-

Granted since:-

Sir Edwin D Wadsworth

Sir Salem Wilder.

U'th'd rawn:-

Sir Charles Bullock's.

1 Subcharlie A Bone

Sir George W Prescott

Spiven kurt a time::

Dr. Charles A. Bond

Sir Charles W Woodward.

Sir William A Barker

Si l'ingegnere me.

9. An application was received in writing from Sir Ariel L Wall for a Dinit and he being clear on the books it was voted that his request be granted and a Dinit issued.

were received and referred as follows:

Aug. 27. Herdner and B. Lian to L.

Sir Edward & Shayer " Sir Herbert. A.R. made

Sir Charles F. Anne.

" Sir Herbert. A K. made

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„Ich bin ein Jüde“

11 Applications for the
of Brightwood were received from

Compt Leonard Warren Ross.

Residence: - 85 Parsons Street Brighton

Occupation:- Landscape Architect

Place of Business:- 231 Tremont Building Boston

Member of Bethesda Lodge Brighton

" " St Andrews R A Chapter Boston

Recommended by Sir Edward O Hatch

Letter - Sir Albert & Richardson Sir Edwin D
Childs Sir Horace A Jordan.

Wamp. Encl. Burlington Moore

Residence:- 5 Rural Avenue Medford Mass

Occupation:- laborer

Place of Business:- 28 Lancaster Street Boston

Member of Mt Herman Lodge Medford Mass

" Mystic R A Chapter

Recommended by Em't Sir William R. Lawrence
Committee: - Sir Parker R. Litchfield & John &
Street Sir John W. Rockwell.

Committee: - Sir Parker R Sitchfield & John A Street Sir John W Rockwell.

Wm. Frank Harrison Huggs

Received 25 May 1968 at Free Press Boston

Occupation: Commission Merchant

Place of Business:- 2 High Street Boston

- 11 Member of Winslow Lewis Lodge Boston
 " St Andrews R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir Samuel M Child
 Committee:- Sir Henry A Locke Sir Edward W
 Hatch Sir Augustus Ridgway.

Camp Milton Elmer Stephenson
 Residence:- 5 Irvington Street Boston
 Occupation:- Mechanical Dentistry
 Place of Business:- 2 Park Square Boston
 Member of Columbian Lodge Boston
 " St Paul's R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir Charles E Bright
 Committee:- Sir Barry C Gleason Sir Leon W
 Abbott Sir James W Donald

- 12 It was unanimously
 voted that the sum of \$100 be appropriated
 as a gift to Em't Sir Francis Little and
 that Em't Sir James M Gleason be instructed
 to convey the same to him with the Christmas
 wishes of the members

- 3 It was unanimously
 voted that the Recorder be instructed to
 convey to Sir Alexander H Bryer the Christmas
 remembrances of the Commandery which was

- 13 done as follows:-

Boston Dec 22^d 1899.

Alexander H Bryer Esq

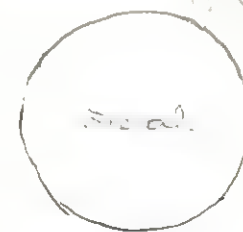
Roxbury

Dear Sir Knight:-

At the Stated Conclave of Boston
 Commandery, & I held on the 20th inst I was
 directed by a unanimous vote to convey to you
 the sympathy of the members for you in your
 illness and to assure you of their kind remem-
 brances in this holiday season and that your long
 and faithful service as an officer of that organ-
 ization has not been forgotten by those members
 who were privileged to meet you in that ca-
 pacity

Extending my personal greetings and
 wishing you a Merry Christmas I remain

Very courteously yours



Herbert A. Kincaid

Recorder

- 14

Sir Knight's Supper and
 have ever reported as improving and also
 Sir Knight Waldron who was in a condition
 when he could receive visitors. The
 Sumner Commander also reported that the
 ... had assisted Sir Albert G. Gray in

14 accordance with the vote passed at the previous
 clause.

15 The Eminent Commander
 announced the following deaths and a Memorial
 Cal Page was ordered for each.

Sir Simon Algieri	November 26-1877
W. E. Sir Eugene H. Richards	December 11-1899
Sir William M. Miller	" 11-1899

16 The following acknowledgment
 was read:-

Mrs Algieri wishes to extend to Boston
 Commandery & to her sincerest thanks for their
 sympathy and many kindnesses shown during
 her late bereavement.

17 The business of a Com-
 mandery of Knights Templars was suspended
 and a Council of the Illustrious Order of the
 Red Cross opened for the reception of Candidates.

18 The Illustrious Order of
 the Red Cross was conferred in due form and
 with full ceremonies and
 a grand dinner was given.

18 Comd George Mac Donald.
 Comd William Francis Varum

Comd. Sir Weigel

Comd Bezekiah M. Laughlin
 Comd Edward Maurice Fielding
 were created and constituted Companions of the
 Illustrious Order of the Red Cross.

19 The business of a Com-
 mandery of Knights Templars was resumed.

The Eminent Commander
 called attention to the Armory and wished
 the members to place their Regalia in their
 cases that it might present a good appearance.

20 On motion of Comd Sir
 William Lawrence it was voted that
 the Council be a committee to convey to
 the Most Emt Grand Master the Christmas
 Greetings of the Commandery.

There being no further
 business, the Commandery was closed in
 due form at nine o'clock and fifty three
 minutes P M.

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Members Present

In Uniform	42
Not in Uniform	63.

Among the visitors were

Emt Sir Frank W Mead	Comd of "De Molay"
Sir Fletcher & Durrell	Comd of "St Omer"

21

The following Sirs & Misses
paid the balance of the necessary fee to constitute
them Life Members

Sir Ensign G Sherry

Sir Martin W Moran

Sir Josiah H. ...

Sir Isaac H. ...

Sir Charles H. Fraiser

Sir Robert G. Metcalf

Sir Isaac H. ...

Sir John A. Campbell

Sir George S. Sneyd

Sir Charles A. Bearer

Sir Ralph W. Smyth

Sir Edwin R. Smyth

Sir Adolphus S. Sinden

Sir William W. ...

Sir George L. Brooke

Sir Lewis S. ...

21 Sir Frederick L. Briggs

...

22 Sir Samuel M. Ham paid the necessary fee to make
him a Life Member

A true record

Attest:-

Herbert A. Rhoades

Recorder

Summary December 20-1899

- 1 Records.
- 2 3 elected to Orders
- 3 Amendment to Art III Sect 1 ought not to pass
- 4 Report accepted
- 5 Amendment rejected
- 6 General Orders No 2 read
- 7 " " " 3 " on records.
- 8 Action on requests for Dimits - 2 granted
- 9 1 Dimitt granted
- 10 4 requests for Dimits referred.
- 11 4 applications for Orders.
- 12 \$100 Christmas to Emt Sir Lottis
- 13 Christmas greetings to Sir Bryer.
- 14 Illness.
- 15 3 Deaths
- 16 Acknowledgment
- 17 Red Cross
- 18 6 on Red Cross
- 19 S & resumed
- 20 Christmas greetings M & Grand Master
- 21 17 Completed S M.
- 22 1 Paid S M Fee

Sir Sumner A. ... died at his residence, 120 North Street Cambridge Monday November 20-1899. His funeral was held from the same place Wednesday November 29-1899 at 1 o'clock P M and was attended by Emt Sir J Gilman Waite, Sir Edgar F Emt Sir Charles L Russell, Sir Horace P Blackman Sir John Blackie Sir Horace D Sitchfield Sir George B L Stuller and Sir Augustus P Clarke. Sir Blackman and Sir Blackie acted as bearers.

Rt Emt Sir Eugene St Richards died at the McLean Hospital at Waverley Mass Monday December 11-1899.

Sir William M Miller died at his residence 1 Glenwood Street Woburn Mass Monday, December 11-1899. His funeral was from the same place Thursday December 14-1899 at 2 o'clock P M and was attended by Emt Sir Henry A Sitchfield Sir Herbert A Winades Sir Abbott L Aldrich and Sir Charles L Russell.

In Memoriam

Sir Simon Algieri

Born at Palermo Italy August 15-1833.

Raised a Master Mason in Mt Olive Lodge
Cambridge Mass. November 21-1872Installed in Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter
Cambridge Mass June 12 1874Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
December 15-1875admitted to membership
April 19-1876Died at Cambridgeport Mass
Sunday November 26-1899

In Memoriam

Rt Em Sir Eugene B Richards

Born at New York City N.Y. November 17-1843

Raised a Master Mason in Joseph Warren Lodge
Boston Mass January 23-1866.Installed in Menotomy Royal Arch Chapter
Arlington Mass November 16-1870Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
May 21-1873admitted to membership
June 18-1873

Eminent Commander. 1886-88

Rt Em Grand Commander. 1895-96.

Died at Waverley Mass
Monday December .. 1897

Rev. in a Boston Commandery & C

Rev. in a Boston Commandery & C
 Masonic Temple Boston Mass

Thursday January 11-1900

Special Conclave

A Commandery of Knights
 Templars was opened in Due Form at 12⁵³ o'clock
 by the Senior Commander J. G. Wain
 presiding, assisted by the following officers:-

Sir John H. Bowker.	Generalissimo
Emt. Sir J. Charles J. Latham &	as Captain General
Emt. Sir James H. Upham	Associate Prelate
Sir Richard A. Atwood	Senior Warden
Sir Charles E. Carmichael	as Junior Warden
Emt. Sir Henry H. Litchfield	as Recorder
Sir John H. Bowker	Standard Bearer
Sir Edgar B. Hunt	Sword Bearer
Sir James S. Blake	Warder
Sir Will. A. Murlfieldt	as guard.
Sir Abbott S. Zedrich	
Sir Herbert S. Bowden	
Sir George A. Griffith	
Sir J. Frederick Samphson	Armour
Sir Thomas M. Carter.	Musical Director

Sir Charles & Russell Sir Eddy W. Haines
 Sir Ossian H. Brock Sir Henry A. Blake.

The Eminent Commander announced that the bonclave had been called to attend the funeral of Sir Charles R. Stetson who died at Fort Payne Ala and whose body had been brought to Boston for burial.

The lines were formed and at 1⁰⁵ o'clock a special car was taken on Baylston Street for Mt Auburn Cemetery where the services were held in the chapel and were conducted by the Commandery.

After escorting the body to the grave the Commandery returned to the Regency where the lines were dismissed and the Commandery closed at three o'clock and forty minutes P.M.

Music was furnished by the Corinthian Quartette.

This record was witnessed by
 Em. Sir Henry H. Sitchfield

Attest:

Herbert A. Rhodes.

Regiment of Boston Commandery & T.

Stone Hall Masonic Temple Boston Mass

Wednesday January 17th 1900

Stated Bonclave

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 6⁴⁵ o'clock P.M. Eminent Commander of Gilman White presiding assisted by the following officers:-

Sir John H. Bowker	Generalissimo
Sir Rinaldo B. Richardson	Chaplain General
	Prelate
Emt Sir James H. Upham	Associate Prelate
Sir Richard A. Atwood	Senior Warden
Sir Charles S. Darnell	Junior Warden
Sir James D. Boninus	Treasurer
Sir Herbert A. Rhodes	Recorder
Sir John H. Houghton	Standard Bearer
Sir Edgar S. Hunt	Sword Bearer
Sir James S. Blake	Warder
Sir William A. Barr	Adjutant
Sir Jesse S. Ames	Third Guard
Sir Will A. Murlfeldt	Second Guard
Sir Joseph S. Parr	First Guard.

Sir John H MacAlman	First Asst Guard.
Sir Abbott & Aldrich	Second Asst Guard
Sir J Frank Hadley.	Third Asst Guard
	Fourth Asst Guard
Sir Leon M Abbott.	Fifth Asst Guard
Sir J Frederick Sampson	Armorer.
Sir Thomas M Barber	Musical Director
Sir Edward MacDonald	Sentinel.

Past Eminent Commanders

present:-

Emt Sir James H Upham
 Emt Sir James M Gleason
 Emt Sir Eugene A Bolton
 Emt Sir Leonard B Nichols
 Emt Sir Charles I Sitchfield
 Emt Sir Henry H Sitchfield
 Emt Sir William B Lawrence

The Records of the Stated
 Conclave of December 20-1899 and of the Special
 Conclave of January 11-1900 were read and
 approved

2 Reports were received from
 the committees on the applications of
 Comdr Leonard Warren Ross

2 Comdr Ernest Burlingh Moore.

Comdr Frank Harrison Briggs
 for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was
 taken in each case which proving clear they
 were severally declared entitled to receive the
 Orders of Knighthood in Boston Commandery
 H. S.

3 A report was received
 from the committee on the application of
 Comdr Milton Elmer Stephenson
 for the Orders of Knighthood and it was
 voted that the report be recommended to
 the committee.

4 The following report was
 presented by Emt Sir Charles I Sitchfield.

In Asylum of Boston Commandery H S
 Boston Comman. 17-1900

To the Officers and Members of Boston Commandery.

The Committee to whom was referred the
 proposed amendment to the By Laws offered at
 the Stated Conclave of October 18, 1899 by Sir
 George W Storey respectfully beg leave to report
 as follows:

The subject of the proposed amendment

4 is to suspend for a term of five years the provision of Art VII Sect 2 which requires one tenth of the entire annual receipts of the Commandery to be paid into the Permanent Fund thereof excepting the fees for life membership, the income of the Permanent Fund and donations and bequests to the Commandery.

The proposed amendment is inconsistent with a subsequent portion of the same section which established the Permanent Fund and which provided as follows. "It shall not be considered good knightly faith in the Commandery to diminish the rate of increase hereby established."

Moreover the proposed amendment directly conflicts with the legislation of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island concerning such Permanent Funds which was adopted at its semi-annual Conclave of May 20-1897 on recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence (See Proc of 1897 page 42). That Committee recommended that "in addition to all Life Membership fees there should be allotted to such Permanent Fund a certain portion of the fee derived from each successful candidate for the Orders, and thus the fund would have an assured growth aside from its natural accumulation." The report of the Committee was accepted

and its recommendation was unanimously approved and adopted that thereafter "one tenth of the fees paid by each successful candidate for the Orders be allotted and paid into such Permanent Fund."

Our Committee therefore recommend the rejection of the proposed amendment as both imprudent and illegal.

Courteously submitted

William B Lawrence

Thomas J Emery

Charles F Sitchfield

It was voted to accept the report of the Committee and the Eminent Commander ruled the Amendment out of order as being in conflict with the Regulations of the Grand Commandery.

Emil S. Leonard is the one who presented the following:-

In Boston Commandery Jan 17-1900.

I propose the following amendment to

Article VII Section 2 commencing in the 2nd line strike out all but the first two

6 words, all of the sixth and seventh lines and the first two words in the eighth line and substitute after the second word in the fifth line the words "Permanent Fund, of one-tenth of the fees received from all candidates elected to receive the Orders, of one-tenth of all Membership fees". Strike out all the words in the tenth and eleventh lines and the first three words in the twelfth line. Add to the thirteenth line the words "nor encroached upon" so that the Section as amended will read

"Permanent Fund"

The Permanent Fund shall be styled "The Permanent Fund of Boston Commandery". The Fund shall consist of all moneys received for Life Membership, of all donations and requests to the Permanent Fund, of one tenth of the fees received from all candidates elected to receive the Orders, of one tenth of all Membership fees and of such additions as shall from time to time be made by vote of the commandery. The principal of the Fund shall never be expended nor encroached upon."

This amendment was

referred to a committee consisting of
Sir John H. North

in Charles G. Hayden.
Sir Thomas G. Emery.

7 The Senior Commander announced the following deaths:-

Sir Luther D. Brooks.	December 20, 1899
Sir James B. Rice	January 3-1900.
Sir Charles R. Golsom	January 7-1900
Sir G. Alba Davis	January 14, 1900

and a Memorial Page was ordered for each.

8 The following acknowledgment was read:-

Boston Commandery H. B.

Please accept thanks from my mother, brother and self for the beautiful cross and crown you so kindly sent my father last Friday.

Florence Rice

9 The request of
Sir Charles W. Woodward
and limit was taken from the table and it was voted that it be granted and a limit

The following communications
were read:

Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
and the
Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island
Office of the R & Grand Commander
Roxbury Mass Dec 20, 1899.

To all Sir Knights of Allegiance to the Grand
Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant
Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:-

It becomes my sad duty to announce the
death of

R & Sir Eugene Hervey Richards
Past Grand Commander of this Grand Commandery
who was called to the Asylum above at Waverly
Mass Monday Dec 11, 1899.

"How fast they fall - those we have known -
As leaves from Autumn branches blown,
So quickly sear!

Yes, one by one they drop away
As withered leaves that fall and stray
And disappear"

His funeral was held Thursday Dec 14,
1899, the services being held in King's Chapel, in
the city of Boston Mass, the Ritual for the dead being
performed by Boston Commandery No 2 of which

10 he was a Past Commander; the Officers and Past
Grand Commanders of this Grand Commandery
attending in a body With the beautiful burial
service of the Order and surrounded by many
floral tributes from bodies represented, the remains
of all that was mortal of our beloved Sir Knight
were conveyed to North Attleboro Mass and laid
to rest in the family lot there to await the morn
of resurrection

"Life is but a day at most,
Sprung from night, in darkness lost"

Eugene Hervey Richards
Born in New York N Y Nov 17, 1843.

This Masonic Record is one that evinces his
love for the Order and his devotion to the Craft
Made a Master Mason in Joseph Warren Lodge
No 2 & 2 M of Boston Mass Jan 23, 1860 and was
its Worshipful Master in 1886 and 1887
Exalted in Menotomy Royal Arch Chapter of
Arlington Mass Nov 16, 1870.
Received the Cryptic Degrees in Boston Council
of R & S Masters and was its S I Master in 1880
and 1881

Knighthood in Boston Commandery No 2 of Boston
Mass May 21, 1873 serving as Em Commander

10. from October 1886 to October 1888.

In this Grand Commandery he was ever an ardent and devoted member filling all the offices in regular rotation and served as Grand Commander from October 1895 to October 1896.

In the A A Scottish Rite he also attained distinction having received the 33rd grade (Honorary) in recognition of his services.

He was a member of Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection and was a Past 5th Grand Master.

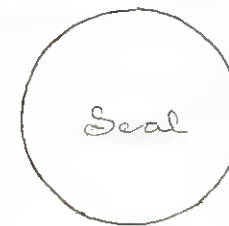
In the 3rd Valley Council Princes of Jerusalem he gave much of his time and talents and served as M & S Prince Master in the years 1890, 1891 and 1892.

He was a member of Mount Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix 18th and was created a Sublim. Prince of the Royal Secret 32nd in Massachusetts Consistory and served the body in many offices.

He was crowned a Sov Grt General 33rd in the Supreme Council A A S Rite Northern Masonic Jurisdiction Sept 15, 1891.

In recognition of his many excellencies and as a tribute of our esteem for him we hereby direct that this letter be read by the Recorder of each Commandery of the Grand Jurisdiction at the first convocation after its receipt and that the Altar and Jewels of each Commandery be draped in mourning and so remain for a period of twelve days as a

10. token of our regard for our R Em Sir Knight



Given over my hand and the Seal of
this Grand Commandery this twentieth
day of December A D 1899 A O 782

Herbert F Morse.

Attest:-

B W Rowell

Grand Recorder

Grand Commander.

11. Grand Commander of Knights Templars
and the

Dependant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island
General Orders } Office of the R & Grand Commander.
No. 4 } 1 Walnut Ave Roxbury Mass
Series 1899-1900 }

Boston Jan 12, 1900.

To all Knights Templars within the jurisdiction
of this Grand Commandery, Greeting:-

Your attention is called to Section 1, Title
XXXV Statutes of the Grand Encampment of
the United States page 68 of the Code which reads
as follows:-

Title XXXV - Non Affiliation

Section 1 Hereafter voluntary non affiliation
in Lodge or Chapter for six months shall de-
prive a Knight Templar of his membership in
the Commandery.

- 11 By recent decision of the M & E Grand Master, see proceedings Grand Commandery Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island 1899 page 29 as follows:-

"George L. Shepley

R. Emgr Commander of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

17 Custom House St. Providence R. I.

Dear Sir and Brother:- Yours of March 6, 1899 requesting my opinion on the construction of Section 1 Title XXXV of the Revised Statutes received.

"That section applies uniformly to every Templar after the law was promulgated. When a person not affiliated makes application to Lodge or Chapter for admission to membership if his petition is rejected he is still a non-affiliate but not voluntarily so. Such person would not, in my opinion come under the ban of the above provision during the pendency of such application nor during the space of time which by law he can let pass before he is required to make another application to keep himself in good standing. But if being a non-affiliate, he neglects to make an application for membership, then he becomes a voluntary non-affiliate and subject to the penalties of the statute. As you are no doubt aware this law makes a different

rule from the one which was in force up to the time of its passage. When adopted there were a great many Templars who were not in good standing in their Lodge or Chapter. To clearly prevent the law from having a retroactive effect the word 'hereafter' was used so there could be no doubt that those who were not in good standing could not suffer any penalty for such neglect up to the time of the promulgation of the statute. It was a declaration that that which had not been an offence up to that time should be one thereafter. The definition of the word 'hereafter' carries with it the clear intent that such protection should not be extended to those who failed to affiliate after the law went into force. It is just the same as if the statute read: 'In the future voluntary non-affiliation in Lodge or Chapter for six months shall deprive a Knight Templar of his membership in the Commandery'."

Cordially yours

R. H. Lloyd J. M.

You are hereby notified that the statute is now in force.

This order is directed to be read at the head of each Commandery at the next Conclave following its receipt and placed upon the records of that Conclave.

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Given over my hand and the seal of
The Grand Commandery of Knights
Templars and the appendant orders of
Massachusetts and Rhode Island this
15th day of January 1900 A D 1880
Herbert F Morse

Attest:-

B W Rowell
Grand Recorder

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Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
and the

Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island
General Orders } Office of the R & Grand Commander.
No. 5 } 1 Walnut St Roxbury Mass.
Series 1899-1900 }

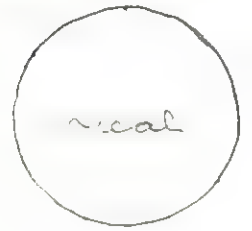
Boston Jan 15, 1900.

To the Several Subordinate Commanderies
within the Jurisdiction of the Grand
Commandery of Knights Templars and
the Appendant Orders of Massachu-
setts and Rhode Island.

You are hereby notified and directed to
forward at your earliest convenience to the Grand
Recorder Em Sir Benjamin W. Rowell 28 School
St Boston Mass a certified copy of the By-
Laws of your Commandery said copy to con=

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tain the Original By-Laws and all the amendments
that from time to time have been made thereto
This order will be read at the head of each Com-
mandery at the first conclave after its receipt and
obeyed accordingly



Herbert F Morse
Grand Commander

Attest:-

B W Rowell
Grand Recorder.

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The Eminent Commander
announced that the requirements of General
Order No 5 had been complied with and that
a copy of our By Laws had been filed with
the Grand Recorder.

Reuben Hedley Lloyd
San Francisco California

Boston Commandery Knights Templars
joins in wishing you a Merry Christmas
May happiness of days, length of years and
fraternity be yours to enjoy

13

J Gilman Waile
Eminent Commander.

14

The following reply had
been received:-

Office of the
Grand Master
of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar
of the United States of America
San Francisco California

December 27 A.D. 1899

Em Gilman Waile.
Commander Boston Commandery K. 5
Boston Mass.

Dear Sir and Brother:-

Please extend to the members of Boston
Commandery and accept for yourself my
thanks for Christmas telegraphic greeting.
We had quite a largely attended meeting of
both our Commanderies in this city and a
very enjoyable and pleasant time

Cordially yours

R B Lloyd

G. M.

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see read.

The following communications

15

Rochester N.Y Jan 11-1900.

Mr Herbert A Rhoades.

Cambridgeport Mass

Sir Knight:-

I wrote you some time ago in reference
to obtaining a demit from the Boston Commandery
but have no recollection of receiving any reply
from you

I did not send remittance for dues as ren-
dered by bill of Oct 1-1899 understanding that \$8
was for advance and having located here in this
city it is surely to my interest to join a body
here. I do not presume that it is necessary for
me to pay the advance dues in case I am granted
a demit and in view of this I enclose you here
with \$5. and would request that you give this
matter your immediate attention as I wish
to join the Commandery here at as early a
date as possible.

Yours truly

L. St Anna

Jan 12 1900.

Dear Sir Knight

Please find enclosed check for \$5 and
I regret to say it will be my last to the
good old Boston Commandery. If you

15 will please send me a dimit. I will thank you. I suppose you have heard of my accident two months ago, am not able to walk without crutches but trust to before Spring

Sincerely yours
J B Wm Supper

Chicago Jan 8 1900

Dear Sir Knight:-

Please find herewith \$5 paying due Jan 1899. As my interests are all in the West am unable to realize the pleasant benefits of Boston Commandery and I would like a dimit. Advise me if any future expense is due from me

Yours truly,
Gerald M. Lane
1918 Indiana Ave.

The Recorder reported the above Sir Knight's clear on the books and it was voted that their requests be granted and dimit issued

The following acknowledgments was read.

16.

Washington D C.

No. 2514 Thirteenth St N W.

January 12, 1900

My Dear Sir:-

Please express my profound thanks to your Commandery for their very graceful and comforting resolutions which you did me the honor to forward me November 16th and which I shall place among the many valued testimonials of this kind which I shall preserve as an inheritance for my son's precious children

I need not tell you that I have lost my all in the death of my only son and that all the pride that a mother feels in the glorious achievements of her children is overshadowed by the heart breaking anguish over my son's tragic death

With very best wishes for your Commandery and many thanks, I am

Sincerely yours
Mrs John A Logan

17.

It was voted on a motion moved by the Recorder by request, that a Committee of seven (including the Council) be appointed by the Eminent Commander with full powers to provide for a Social

- 17 Gathering of the members of Boston Commandery and their Ladies in our New Masonic Temple, the expenses to be paid for by members participating in the entertainment.

The Eminent Commander

appointed the following committee:

Sir William C Ulman

Emt Sir Eugene A Bolton

Emt Sir Henry B Sitchfield.

Emt Sir William B Lawrence.

During the discussion of this motion the Eminent Commander gave a very full and clear statement of the financial condition of the Commandery showing the necessity of having all entertainments self supporting and calling the attention of the members to the additional necessity of promptly paying their Annual Dues.

- 18 In the course of this discussion the question of furnishing the Parlor of our Armory came up and after the appointment of the Committee on Entertainment as above, Emt Sir James M Gleason arose and started a subscription for that purpose and made a very liberal contribution. In a little over a quarter of an hour the

- 18 fund thus started had increased to over \$1,000. which it was expected would be all that would be necessary to furnish the Parlor in a suitable manner.

- 19 The following applications for the Orders of Knighthood were received:-

Comr Edmund William Cox

Residence:- 6 Sunnyside Street Roxbury

Occupation: Merchant-Plumber

Place of Business:- 143 Shingston Street Boston

Member of Mt Lebanon Lodge Boston

" " St Paul's R A Chapter "

Recommended by Sir Rinaldo B Richardson

Committee:- Sir Isaac Riley Sir William E Worcester Sir Charles B Tucker.

Comr James Ray

Residence:- 267 Samartine Street Jamaica Plain Mass

Occupation: General Business Agency

Place of Business: 192 Boylston Street Boston

Member of Adelpbi Lodge South Boston

" " St Paul's R A Chapter Boston

Recommended by Sir Albert A Gleason

Committee:- Sir Abbott L Aldrich Sir John Evans, Sir Rinaldo B Richardson

19 Comfr. Simpson Preston Moses.
 Residence:- 7 Cambria Street Somerville Mass.
 Occupation:- Wholesale Boots and Shoes
 Place of Business:- 134 Summer Street Boston
 Member of John Abbot Lodge Somerville Mass
 " " Somerville R.A. Chapter " "
 Recommended by Sir John St MacDonnan
 Committee:- Sir J Albert D Brueman Sir John L
 Allen Sir William B Holmes

Comfr. Gustavus Fisher Guild
 Residence:- 31 College Avenue Medford Mass
 Occupation:- Teacher
 Place of Business:- 14 Common Street Boston
 Member of Blue Hill Lodge Canton Mass
 " " Mystic R.A. Chapter Medford Mass
 Recommended by Emk Sir J Gilman Waite
 Committee:- Sir Robert C Metcalf Sir Rosewell B
 Lawrence Sir Henry D Wiggin

20 Emk Sir James M Gleason
 reported that he had visited Emk Sir J Francis
 Solts and conveyed the Christmas gift of the
 Commandery for which Emk Sir Solts returned
 his thanks and would be pleased to see any
 of the members who can make it convenient
 to call

21 Sir John Waldron was
 reported as not having improved since our last
 banclave and Sir Walworth O Barlow and Sir
 William St Knight were reported quite ill.

22 It was voted that the
 Council be a committee with full powers to
 furnish the Parlor.

23 The Order of the Temple
 was conferred in Due Form and with Full
 Ceremonies and
 Comfr Edwin Charles Lewis
 Comfr George MacDonald
 Comfr William Francis Varnum
 Comfr John Weigel
 Comfr Thezekiah M Laughlin
 Comfr Edward Maurice Fielding
 were created and Dubbed Knights of the
 Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the
 Temple Knights Templar

24 The Order of Malta was
 then conferred in the Short Form and the
 same Sir Knights were created and Dubbed
 Knights of Malta after which the Recorder
 the Recorder's desk signed the By Laws and re-
 ceived the diplomas

There being no further business the Commandery was closed in Due Form at eleven o'clock and fifty six minutes P M

Members present.
In Uniform 49
Not in Uniform 58.

Among the visiting Sir Knights were
Emt Sir Frank B Mason P & B "So. Shore"
Emt Sir Elisha B Sears "Hugh de Payens"

25 The following Sir Knights paid the necessary amount to complete their life Membership:
Sir William Crane.
Sir John S Gale
Sir Ernest A Mason
Sir Daniel M Hazen
Sir George Andrew Wyman
Sir William R MacDonald
Sir Charles S Howell
Sir B Sturges Wright
Sir Frederick W Hayden
Sir Elisha B. Mason

After closing the Commandery a collation was served in the Banquet Hall.

A true record

Attest:- Herbert A Rhoades
Recorder.

Summary January 17-1900.

- 1 Records.
- 2 3 elected to orders.
- 3 1 laid over
- 4 Report on proposed amendment. Art VII Sect 2
- 5 Amendment out of order
- 6 Amendment proposed to Art VII Sect 2
- 7 4 Deaths
- 8 Acknowledgment
- 9 Chas W Woodward Dmitted
- 10 Grand Commandery Circular Rt Em Sir Richards
- 11 General Orders No 4
- 12 " " 5
- 13 Telegram to M & G. Master
- 14 Response of do.
- 15 3 Dimits granted

Summary concluded.

- 16 Acknowledgment from Mrs Logan.
- 17 Committee on Ladies' Night
- 18 \$1030 raised to furnish Parlor.
- 19 4 applications for Orders.
- 20 Thanks Sent Sir Lolls
- 21 Illness.
- 22 Council to furnish Parlor.
- 23 6 on Temple
- 24 6 on Walla
- 25.10 Complete L M

Sir Luther St Brooks died December 20 1899 at Tomahawk Wis. His remains were brought to Boston and buried at Mt. Auburn Cemetery. Funeral services were held in Mt Auburn Chapel Sunday December 24-1899 and were attended by a committee consisting of Rt Emf Sir Samuel B Lawrence Emf Sir William B Lawrence Sir Daniel W Lawrence Sir James P Richardson Sir Parker R Sitchfield and Sir Oliver Whyte also by Emf Sir J Gilman Waite Sir George M Weston Sir Edwin P Longley and Sir James Milligan.

The services were conducted by Mt Hermon Lodge A O & A M of Medford Mass

Sir James B Rice died at his residence 13 Forest Street North Cambridge Wednesday January 3-1900 and his funeral was held from the same place Friday January 5-1900. It was attended by a committee consisting of Emf Sir J Gilman Waite Sir Charles Bullock Sir Edwin P Longley Sir Horace P Blackman Sir John St North and Sir John R Farrell.

Sir Charles R Folsom died at Fort Payne Ala Sunday January 7-1900

His remains were brought to Boston and buried at Mt Auburn, - the services being conducted by the Commandery as per Record of Special Conclave already read.

Sir J. Alba Davis died at his late residence 32 Robeson Street, Jamaica Plain Sunday January 14-1900. His funeral was held from the same place Tuesday January 16-1900 at 2 o'clock P M and was attended by Em't Sir J. Gilman Waite Sir Elijah Bohne Sir Samuel J. Gay Sir Walter W. Boyden.

In Memoriam

Sir Luther S. Brooks

Born at East Cambridge Mass. September 27-1832.

Raised a Master Mason in Lawrence Lodge
No 6 Lawrence Kansas 1858

Exalted in Mystic Royal Arch Chapter
Medford Mass

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
March 29-1865

admitted to membership

May 17-1865

Died at Somerville Wis
Wednesday December 20-1899

In Memoriam

Sir Charles R. Folsom.

Born at Vicksburg Miss August 23-1848

Raised a Master Mason in Aberdeen Lodge
Boston Mass. June 9-1885

Elected in St Pauls Royal Arch Chapter
Boston Mass. November 15-1887

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
June 18-1890

admitted to membership
June 18-1890

Died in Fort Payne Ala
Sunday January 7-1900

Asylum of Boston Commandery & B

Ionic Hall Masonic Temple Boston Mass

Wednesday February 21-1900.

Stated banclave

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 6³⁰ o'clock P M the Generalissimo Sir John B Bowker presiding assisted by the following officers:-

- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Emt Sir William B Lawrence | as Generalissimo |
| Sir Rinaldo B Richardson | Captain General |
| Rev Sir George A Pesin | Prelate |
| Sir Richard A Atwood | Senior Warden |
| Sir Charles S Damrell | Junior Warden |
| Sir James D Renimus | Treasurer |
| Sir Herbert A Rhoades | Recorder |
| Sir John B Boughton | Standard Bearer |
| Sir Edgar B Hunt | Sword Bearer |
| Sir James S Blake | Warder |
| Sir William A Barr | Adjutant |
| Sir Jesse E Ames | Blind Guard |
| | Second Guard |
| Sir Joseph B Paul | First Guard |
| Emt Sir James B Upham | Associate Prelate |

Sir John H MacAlman.	First Asst Guard
	Second Asst Guard
	Third Asst Guard
	Fourth Asst Guard
	Fifth Asst Guard
Sir Frederick Sampson.	Armorer
Sir Thomas M Carter	Musical Director
Sir Edward Mac Donald.	Sentinel.

Absent.

Emt Sir J Gilman Waite	Eminent Commander.
Sir Will A Murlfeldt	Second Guard.
Sir Abbott L Aldrich	Second Asst Guard
Sir J Frank Hadley	Third Asst Guard
Sir Charles H Goldthwaite	Fourth Asst Guard
Sir Leon M Abbott	Fifth Asst Guard

Past Eminent Commanders present:-

Emt Sir James H Upham

Emt Sir James M Gleason

Emt Sir Leonard B Nichols

Emt Sir Charles B Sitchfield

Emt Sir William B Lawrence

The Records of the United
 Banclave of January 17-1900 were read and

- 1 approved
2. Reports were received from the committees on the applications of
 Comdr. Edwin William Cox
 Comdr James Ray
 Comdr Sampson Preston Moses
 Comdr Gustavus Fisher Guild
 for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was taken in each case which proving clear they were severally declared elected to receive the Orders of Knighthood in Boston Commandery H. P.
3. Reports were received from the committee on the application of
 Comdr Milton Elmer Stephenson
 for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was taken which proving not clear his application was declared rejected
4. Attention was called to the proposed Ladies' Night and it was stated that a sufficient number had responded to insure its success and that further information would be given in a later circular

5

Applications for the Orders
of Knighthood were received from

Comdr Edwin Winthrop Boyce.

Residence:- 131 Tremont Street Boston

Occupation:- Hotel Proprietor

Place of Business:- Massachusetts Lake Hotel Sharon Mass

Member of Blue Hill Lodge Canton Mass

" " Mt Zion R A Chapter Stoughton Mass

Recommended by Sir James R Blair

Committee:- Sir Edward W Phillips Sir Willis S

Shepard Sir George H Mansfield

Comdr. Allen Park Boyce

Residence:- 131 Tremont Street Boston

Occupation:- Hotel Proprietor

Place of Business: Massachusetts Lake Hotel Sharon Mass

Member of Blue Hill Lodge Canton Mass

" " Mt Zion R A Chapter Stoughton Mass

Recommended by Sir James R Blair

Committee:- Sir Edward W Phillips Sir Willis S

Shepard Sir George H Mansfield.

Comdr. Paul Constantine Klein

Residence:- 32 Batavia Street Boston

Occupation:- Druggist

Place of Business:- 87-89 Tremont Street Boston

5 Member of Joseph Webb Lodge Boston

" " St Pauls R A Chapter "

Recommended by Sir James S Blake

Committee:- Sir Albert L Richardson Sir Francis

S Dyer Sir Ahrend G Pope

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The following communication
was read:-

Tremont Temple

Boston February 6-1900.

Em Sir G. Gilman Waite

Boston Commandery No 1

Boston Mass.

" " " " " "

It would afford me great pleasure
if you and your Commandery could unite
with other Commanderies in a Templar ser-
vice at Tremont Temple on Easter Day, April
the 15th, the lines entering the church at half
past two o'clock. I have communicated with
the Grand Commander of the Grand Jurisdiction
of Massachusetts and Rhode Island who is
ready to accept the invitation to be present with
his suite on that occasion.

Tremont Temple is so large that it becomes
important if we have a service of that kind

6 | that there should be in line as many Templars as possible. Since the new Temple was finished it has been impossible for the Commanderies to meet in observance of Easter in the building. I have sent invitations to several Commanderies but found that they were already compromised but this year I hope it may fall out that we shall be able to have a general rally of the Order.

You will greatly oblige me if you will communicate your reply at as early a day as possible and believe me

Yours cordially

Geo b Lorimer 33°

This communication was laid on the table

7 | The Eminent Commander announced the death of

Sir Benjamin Y Piphey February 18 1900
and a Memorial Page was ordered to be prepared

8 | Voted that the questions arising from the surrender of cases in the Army by Sir William P Clark and other Sir Knights be referred to the Council with full powers.

9 | On motion of Rev Sir George L Perin the communication of Rev Sir George b Lorimer in relation to an Easter Service was taken from the table and it was voted that the invitation be accepted

10 | Voted that the Council be instructed not to engage a band on the occasion of the Easter Service.

11 | The business of a Commandery of Knights Templars was suspended and a Council of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross opened for the reception of candidates

12 | End Sir William B Lawrence assumed the East and the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross was conferred in Due Form and with Full Ceremonies and
Compt Leonard Warren Ross

Compt Ernest Burleigh Moore

Compt Frank Harrison Briggs

Compt Edwin William Corp

Compt James Ray

Compt Simpson Preston Moses

Compt Gustavus Sisson Guild were created and constituted. Companions

12 of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross.
 Em't Sir Samuel Shaw of Gethsemane Com-
 mandery & assisted as Sovereign Master
 and Em't Sir Charles Sitchfield as Master
 of Infantry.

There being no further
 business the Commandery was closed in
 Due Form at ten o'clock and twenty minutes
 P M

Members present.

In Uniform	43
Not in Uniform	81

Among the visitors were
 Rt Em't Sir Ellery S Garfield P. G. of Michigan
 Em't Sir Samuel Shaw E. C. and Sir Edmund
 G Pond C. G. of "Gethsemane" Commandery and
 Sir George A. Sauter C. G. of "Joseph Warren"

After closing the Com-
 mandery a collation was served in the
 Banquet Hall

The Eminent Commander
 was detained at home by illness

13 The following Sir Knights
 paid the balance of the necessary fee to perfect
 their Life Membership:-

Sir James S. Blake

Sir Eddy W. Barnes

Sir Timothy A. Atwood

Sir Frank W. Atwood

Sir Albert S. Stevens

Sir George E. Bomer

Sir Edward E. Hardy

Sir Simon M. Abbott

Sir George W. Harvey

Sir Charles E. Parmelee

14 Sir Gilbert S. Hedges paid the necessary
 fee and became a Life Member.

A true record

W. S. S.

Herbert A. Rhoades

Secretary

Summary February 21-1900.

- 1 Records
- 2 4 elected to Orders.
- 3 1 rejected " "
- 4 regard to Ladies night
- 5 5 applications for Orders
- 6 Invitation for Easter
- 7 Death
- 8 In relation to surrender of cases in Army.
- 9 Invitation for Easter accepted
- 10 No Band " "
- 11 Red Cross
- 2 7 on Red Cross
- 3 10 perfected L M
- 1 1 paid L M fee

Sir Benjamin Y. Phipps
 died at his residence in New York Sunday
 February 18-1900. His funeral was held
 February 1900. and owing to the fact that it
 was in New York and was not known to the
 Officers until too late no committee was appointed
 to attend it.

In Memoriam

Sir Benjamin F. Cheney

Born in Prince Edward Island. February 27-1835

Raised a Master Mason in Mount St. George Lodge
Woburn Mass. January 5-1859

Installed in St Paul's Royal Arch Chapter
Boston Mass. October 18-1859

Created and Dubbed a Knight of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
a Knight Templar
in Boston Commandery of Knights Templars
November 13-1859
admitted to membership
January 18-1860

Died at New York City N.Y.
Sunday February 18-1900.

Asylum of Boston Commandery No. 1.

Lenox Hall. Masonic Temple Boston Mass

Monday March 5-1900

Special Conclave

A Commandery of Knights
Templars was opened in Due Form at 12⁵⁰ o'clock
P.M. the Generalissimo Sir John St. Sewkes
presiding assisted by the following officers:-

- | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Sir John St. Boughton | as Generalissimo |
| Sir Josiah S. Dyer. | as Captain General |
| Sir James St. Ugham | Associate Prelate |
| Sir Richard A. Atwood | Senior Warden |
| Sir Charles S. Darnell | Junior Warden |
| Sir John R. Newman | as Treasurer |
| Sir Herbert A. Rhoades | Recorder |
| Sir Henry Samuel | as Standard Bearer |
| Sir Horace P. Blackman | as Sword Bearer |
| Sir James S. Blake. | Warder. |
| Sir William M. Munkfeldt | } as Guards |
| Sir Abbott S. Aldrich | |
| Sir Frank S. Hadley | |
| Sir Charles St. Goldthwaite. | |
| Sir Frederick Sampson | Armorer. |

Sir Thomas M. Baster

Musical Director

The Eminent Commander announced that the Band had been called to attend the funeral of Sir Isaac Nickerson and the lines were formed and at 1¹⁵ o'clock the Commandery left the Temple in a special car for Dorchester where the services were held, at his late residence 66 Kenwood Street, they being conducted by the Commandery. The remains were afterward taken to the Cape for burial.

At the close of the services the Commandery returned to the Temple where the lines were dismissed, and the Commandery closed without form at three o'clock and fifty five minutes P M.

Thirty Sir Knights in all attended the services in Uniform.

A true record

Witnessed

Herbert A. Rhoades

Recorder.

Asylum of Boston Commandery & T

Lonic Hall

Masane Temple

Boston Mass.

Wednesday March 21st 1900.

Stated Conclave

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in the form at 4¹⁵ o'clock P M. Eminent Commander J. Gilman Waite presiding, assisted by the following officers:-

Sir John H. Bowker

Generalissimo

Emt. Sir Henry H. Litchfield as Captain-General

Rev Sir George L. Perin

Relator

Associate Relator

Sir Richard A. Atwood

Senior Warden

Sir Charles S. Damrell

Junior Warden

Sir James L. Kinnison

Treasurer

Sir Herbert A. Rhoades

Recorder

Sir John H. Boughton

Standard Bearer

Sir Edgar B. Hunt

Sword Bearer

Sir James S. Blake

Warder

Sir William E. Carr

Adjutant

Sir James E. Ames

Third Guard

Sir Will A. Munkfeldt

Second Guard

Sir John H. Bowker

First Guard

Sir Abbott L Aldrich	First Assistant Guard
	Second Assistant Guard
	Third Asst Guard
	Fourth Asst Guard
	Fifth Asst Guard
Sir Sean M Abbott	Armorer
Sir G Frederick Sampson	Musical Director
Sir Thomas M Carter	Sentinel
Sir Edward MacDonald	

Absent:-

Sir Rinaldo B Richardson	Captain General
Emt Sir James H Upham	Associate Prelate
Sir John H Mac Almar	Asst Guard
Sir G Frank Hadley	Third Asst Guard
Sir Charles H Goldthwaite	Fourth Asst Guard

Past Eminent Commanders

present:-

Emt Sir James M Gleason
 Emt Sir Eugene A Holton
 Emt Sir Leonard B Nichols
 Emt Sir Charles J Silcher
 Emt Sir Henry H Silcher
 Emt Sir William B

1 The Records of the Stated
 Conclave of February 21-1900 and of the Special

Conclave of March 5th 1900 were read and approved.

2 Applications for the Orders
 of Knighthood were received from

Comfr. William Henry Garland
 Residence:- 28 Sweetser Street Wakefield Mass
 Occupation:- Salesman - Paper & Sewing
 Place of Business:- 65 Baltham Street Boston.
 Member of Golden Rule Lodge Wakefield Mass
 Reading R.A Chapter Reading Mass
 Recommended by Sir Rinaldo B Richardson
 Committee:- Sir Fred W Abbott Sir Jesse E Ames
 Sir Albert W Brigham

Comfr. Zachariah Barry Leon
 Residence:- 23 Pine Street Boston
 Occupation:- Commission Agent - Clothing
 Place of Business:- 36 Otis Street Boston
 Professed in Joseph Warren Lodge Boston
 Member of St Andrews R.A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir Ernest B Severing
 Committee:- Sir John H North Sir Charles W
 Chadbourne Sir Henry Samuel

Comfr. Charles Waldron Bacon
 Residence:- 42 Crescent Street Somerville Mass

2. Occupation:- Locomotive Fireman
 Place of Business:- Boston & Maine R R Co.
 Member of Good Samaritan Lodge Reading Mass
 " " Reading R. A Chapter " "
 Recommended by Sir John P Solomon
 Committee:- Sir Byrnes P Austin Sir Elmer St S Paulding
 Sir Daniel A Smith

Camp William Lincoln Crosby
 Residence:- 284 A Baylston Street Boston
 Occupation:- General Manager. Dye House.
 Place of Business:- 17 Temple Place Boston
 Member of Columbian Lodge Boston
 " " St Andrews R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir William A Moffill
 Committee:- Sir Josiah S Dyer Sir W Herbert Grant
 Sir William B Rand.

Camp Lewis Stewellyn Jones.
 Residence:- 48 La Grange Street Boston
 Occupation:- Undertaker
 Place of Business:- 50 La Grange Street Boston
 Member of St John's Lodge Boston
 " " St Andrews R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir Frederick & Briggs
 Committee:- Sir Samuel S Bay Sir William S
 Heath Sir John St Sakin

2. Camp Edwin Archer Stone
 Residence:- 46 Brookfield Street Dorchester
 Occupation:- Treasurer.
 Place of Business:- 4 Tremont Row Boston
 Member of Joseph Warren Lodge Boston
 " " St Andrews R A Chapter " "
 Recommended by Sir Frederick & Briggs
 Committee:- Sir Edward P Upham Sir William B
 Butler Sir Herbert E Bayden.

Camp Curtis Guild Jr.
 Residence:- 124 Marlboro Street Boston
 Occupation:- Newspaper Man
 Place of Business:- 282 Washington Street Boston
 Member of Columbian Lodge Boston
 " " St Andrews R A Chapter Boston
 Recommended by Sir Albert A Gleason.
 Committee:- Sir William B Lawrence Sir
 Warren B Ellis Sir Albert A Tolson.

3. The following communication
 was read

Massachusetts Lodge
 A D & A M.

Boston February 19th 1900
 In the Massachusetts Lodge

3 | J Gilman Waite Esq.

Dear Sir + Brother.

On motion it was voted that the thanks of Massachusetts Lodge be given to the Em Commander Officers and Sir Knights of Boston Commandery for their courtesy in throwing open their Armory on the night of the Public Installation of the Officers of the Massachusetts Lodge January 15th 1900 and that this vote of thanks be conveyed to them signed by the Wor Master and Secretary under the Seal of the Lodge.



Siraternally yours.

Chas A Neill W.M.

James B. Bates

Secy

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Boston March 15-1900.

Sir Knight Herbert A Rhoades.

Will you kindly send me my Dimut from the Boston Commandery? Please let me know the amount of my indebtedness and I will send you check.

Very respectfully yours

John A. Warden

Sir Gilman Sir

4 also renewed his request for a Dimut and his former request was taken from the table and both Sir Knights being clear on the books it was voted that their requests be granted and Dimuts issued.

5 |

Sir Wellington Dillmore withdrew his request for a Dimut.

6.

The Eminent Commander announced the following deaths.

Sir Hugh Mc Bully.

February 23-1900

Sir Isaiah Nickerson

March 2-1900

Sir Henry Hobart

March 12-1900

Sir Benjamin D Smith

March 18-1900.

and a Memorial Page was ordered to be prepared for each.

7

The following acknowledgment was read:-

20 March-1900.

Mr J Gilman Waite.

Masonic Temple

Boston Mass

My dear Sir

Your last mark of honor to my dear father was gratefully received and

7 in behalf of all his children I desire to thank you for the fitting floral emblem brought by Mr James Milligan on Thursday.

Sincerely

Grace A H. Abbott.

East Bridgewater

Massachusetts

8 The first portion of the Order of the Temple was then conferred on the candidates.

9 At six o'clock supper was served in the Banquet Hall.

10 At 7⁴⁵ o'clock business was resumed in the Asylum when Em Sir J. Herbert Bower Acting Grand Warden announced that

Em Sir George E. Bolton.

Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island was present for the purpose of installing the Commandery.

11 The Eminent Commander appointed the following committee to escort the Inspecting Officer and Suite to the Asylum.

11 The Generalissimo

Em Sir James M. Gleason

Em Sir Eugene A. Bolton

Em Sir Leonard B. Nichols

Em Sir Charles F. Sitchfield

Em Sir William B. Lawrence

Sir Elijah B. Hume

Sir James P. Richardson

Sir Samuel B. Childreth

Sir Joseph W. Whittaker

Sir Edmund P. Langley

Sir Samuel F. Bay.

Sir Richard H. Apgood

Sir Charles L. Russell.

12 Em Sir Bolton was introduced and welcomed by the Eminent Commander who expressed the pleasure it gave the members to receive him as the representative of the Rt Em Grand Commander.

Em Sir Bolton thanked the Em Commander for his reception and introduced the following distinguished Sir Knights composing the members of his suite.

Past Grand Commanders:

Rt Em Sir Caleb Sammers of Lawrence.

- 12 Rt Em'l Sir James Swearingen of Boston
 Rt Em'l Sir William H H Soule of Boston
 Rt Em'l Sir Charles C Dix of Lynn
 Rt Em'l Sir Ellery & Garfield P of Michigan
 Em'l

Grand Officers

Em'l Sir Freeman C Bersey	Grand Junior Warden
Em'l Sir Benjamin W Rowell	Grand Recorder
Em'l Sir Isaac N Marshall	Grand Lecturer

Eminent Commanders:-

Em'l Sir Edward M Clarke	"St Johns"	Providence
Em'l Sir Frank W Mead	"De Molay"	Boston
Em'l Sir Theodore H Buck	"Palestine"	Chelsea
Em'l Sir Joseph H Potter	"Balvary"	Providence
Em'l Sir Zachary C Dunham	"Sutton"	New Bedford
Em'l Sir Harry H Hunt	"Hough de Payens"	Melrose
Em'l Sir James A Cook	"St Omer"	So Boston
Em'l Sir Charles A Esley	"Wm Parkman"	East Boston
Em'l Sir David J Pierce	"So Shore"	E Weymouth
Em'l Sir Samuel Shaw	"Jelkserrane"	Newtonville
Em'l Sir Thomas W Rogers	"Olivet"	Lynn
Em'l Sir Edwin A Kelley	"Beauseant"	Malden

Generalissimos:-

Sir George E Reed	"De Molay"	Boston
Sir Joseph Baker Jr	"Balvary"	Providence

- 12 Sir John W Dicker "Wm Parkman" E Boston
 Sir Frank & Wagle "Jelkserrane" Newtonville
 Sir William J Hobbs "Beauseant" Malden

Captains General:-

Sir Charles M Howe	"Hough de Payens"	Melrose
Sir Fletcher H Tirrell	"St Omer"	So Boston
Sir George A Sainter	"Joseph Warren"	Roxbury
Sir Edmund J Pond	"Jelkserrane"	Newtonville
Sir Amos D Chase	"Olivet"	Lynn
Sir C. J. Wardley	"St Johns"	Banger Me

Past Commanders:-

Em'l Sir William Robinson	"Palestine"	Chelsea
Em'l Sir Arthur W Dennis	"Balvary"	Providence
Em'l Sir Theodore J Mattison	"	"
Em'l Sir James E Billingham	"	"
Em'l Sir John W Kimball	"Jerusalem"	Ditchburg
Em'l Sir Charles E Pierce	"St Omer"	So Boston
Em'l Sir Charles J Miller	"	"
Em'l Sir Charles E Drafer	"Joseph Warren"	Roxbury
Em'l Sir Thomas Kellough	"Wm Parkman"	E Boston
Em'l Sir Edward J Graves	"	"
Em'l Sir Joseph W Hill	"Coeur de Lion"	Charlestown
Em'l Sir William D Poole	"Olivet"	Lynn
Em'l Sir George W Bishop	"Athol"	Athol
Em'l Sir Basil Sanford	"Bay State"	Brockton

12. Em't Sir Frederic Martin "Beauscant" Malden
 Em't Sir Henry D Wilder " "
 Em't Sir Charles M Fear "Cambridge" Cambridge

13. Em't Sir Hilton assumed the East, examined the Charter, Records, By-Laws and Ritual after which he again resigned the East to witness the conferring of the Orders

14. The Order of the Temple was then conferred in Due Form and with full ceremonies and.

Camp Leonard Warren Ross

Camp Ernest Burleigh Moore

Camp Frank Harrison Briggs

Camp Edwin William Cox

Camp James Ray.

were created and Dubbed Knights of the Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple, Knights Templars

15. The Order of Malta was then conferred in the Short Form and the same Sir Knights were created and Dubbed Knights of Malta after which they repaired to the Recorders Desk and signed the By Laws

16. The Inspecting Officer congratulated the Commandery upon the condition in which he found its affairs and also upon the Work of the evening.

The official count taken during the inspection showed the following result

Members present in Uniform	142
" " not in Uniform	44
Visitors	63
Suite	57

There being no further business the Commandery was closed in Short Form at ten o'clock and thirty minutes

18. The following Sir Knights paid the balance of the necessary fee to perfect their Life Membership
 Sir Archibald G Wallace.

Sir John H Mac Alman.

Sir Willard D Lombard.

Sir Frank E Schuchmann

Sir Thomas Waterman

Sir Elmer H Shaulding

18 | Sir John Triff
 | Sir Nicholas D. Bechtel
 | Sir George R. Darrell
 | Sir George A. Griffith

A true record

Attest:-

Herbert A. Rhoades
 Recorder.

Summary March 21-1900.

- 1 Records
- 2 7 proposed for Orders.
- 3 Thanks from Massachusetts Lodge.
- 4 2 Dinitis
- 5 Sir Wellington Billmore withdrew request for Dinit
- 6 14 Deaths
- 7 Acknowledgment
- 8 Part of Temple worked
- 9 Supper
- 10 Inspecting officer announced
- 11 Committee of Reception
- 12 Reception and Suite
- 13 Inspection
 - 1 5 on Temple
 - 15 5 on Walla
- 14 Remarks
- 15 Count
- 16 10 perfected & M.

Sir Hugh M^c Bully died
Friday February 23-1900. His funeral was held
at Wilnot H S. Sunday February 25-1900 and
was conducted by the Masonic Lodge at that
place.

As no information of his death was had by
any member of the Commandery, no action
could be taken in regard to his funeral

Sir Isaiah Nickerson died
at his residence 66 Denwood Street Dorchester
Friday March 2-1900. His funeral was held
Monday March 5-1900 and was conducted by
the Commandery

Sir Henry Hobart died
at East Bridgewater Mass Monday March 12
1900. His funeral was held at that place
Thursday March 16-1900 and was attended
by Sir James Milligan and Sir Morton Alden

Sir Benjamin F Smith
died at his residence 491 Beacon Street Boston
Sunday March 18-1900. His funeral was held
Wednesday March 21-1900 and was attended
by Comt Sir Charles Ditchfield Sir Albert S Richardson
Sir Dwight Prouty - Sir Edgar D Hewitt Sir Charles S
Russell Sir George F Quinsler Sir Albert A Folsom.

Masonic Temple. Boston Mass

Friday March 23^d 1900.

The Commandery held a Ladies Night which was attended by over six hundred Sir Knights and Ladies.

The ceremonies were held at the New Masonic Temple Boston which was thrown open for the inspection of the Sir Knights and their friends.

The exercises commenced by an Organ Recital in Ionic Hall from 6³⁰ to 7 P M by Sir Eben H Bailey. A Reception of the Officers of the Commandery and Invited Guests in Ionic Hall at 7¹⁵ o'clock. A Promenade Concert, with Readings, by Carter's Orchestra and Sir George W Blish, in Gothic Hall from 7⁴⁵ to 9¹⁵ P M. A Banquet in the Banquet Hall followed by dancing in Gothic Hall until 1 A M.

The lines were formed in the Parlor and the Commandery, with 32 members in uniform, under command of the Senior Wardmaster.

Donic Hall where the ranks were opened and the Council received in Due Form.

The Eminent Commander appointed a committee consisting of:

Emt Sir James M Gleason

Emt Sir Leonard B Nichols

Emt Sir Charles F Sitchfield

to escort the M. W. Grand Master of Maseno to the hall.

M. W. Grand Master Charles F Gallagher was introduced and welcomed to the entertainment by the Commander.

The same committee

introduced

Rt Emt Sir Ellery F Garfield

who was also welcomed by the Eminent Commander.

Emt Sir Charles F Sitchfield

Grand Warder announced that the Rt Emt Grand Commander was present.

The Eminent Commander

appointed the following committee to escort

him and his Suite to the hall.

Emt Sir James M Gleason

Emt Sir Eugene A Gollen

Emt Sir Leonard B Nichols

Sir Enoch Beane

Sir Horace P Blackman

Sir John M. Law.

The Rt Emt Grand Commander

Sir Herbert S. Morse

was introduced and escorted to the East under an Arch of Steel where he was welcomed by the Eminent Commander

He was accompanied by

the following distinguished Sir Knights:-

Emt Sir George E. Bolton

Grand Generalissimo

Emt Sir Freeman B Hersey

Grand Senior Warden

Emt Sir Benjamin W. Rowell

Grand Recorder

Emt Sir Frank W. Mead

"De Molay" Boston

Emt Sir George A. Brackett

"Joseph Warren" Roxbury

Emt Sir Charles E. Pierce

P&C. "St Omer" St. Boston

Emt Sir Charles F Sitchfield

Grand Warder

After the Reception of the

Grand Officers and other invited guests the guests were dismissed and the evening session

joyed as previously stated.

The building was open to the inspection of the party in all its parts. The several Commanders, Wardens and Grand Lodge turning their private apartments for the use of the Commandery.

The evening was one of great enjoyment to all who participated and one which will ever remain as a fitting celebration of our occupancy of our present Temple.

Attest
H. Ernest H. [unclear]
Recorder.

Temple of Boston Commandery No. 1.

Location: Masonic Temple Boston Mass

Wednesday April 4-1900.

Special Conclave.

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in due form at 12th o'clock by the Most Eminent Commander of Gilman Waite. Presiding assisted by the following officers:

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| Sir John H Bowker. | Generalissimo |
| Emt Sir Henry H Sitchfield | as Captain General |
| Emt Sir James H Upham | Associate Prelate |
| Sir Charles S Darnell | as Senior Warden |
| Sir Joseph H Hubbard | as Junior Warden |
| Emt Sir Charles I Sitchfield | as Recorder. |
| Sir Edgar F Hunt | Sword Bearer |
| Sir Henry Samuel | as Warden. |
| Sir Will A Murtheldt | } as Guards |
| Sir Arthur H Seal | |
| Sir Nicholas F Bechtel | |
| Sir Thomas A Phelps | |
| Sir Charles E Parnellee | |
| Sir William B Hubbard | } as Armourer. |
| Sir F. Frederick Sampson | |

Sir Edward Mac Donald Sentinel.

There were 37 Sir Knights
in Uniform.

The Eminent Commander
announced that the Conclave was called to at-
tend the funeral of Sir Alfred M Smith.

At 12⁵⁵ a special car was taken for the South
Station where a car had been attached to the
1¹⁵ P M train for Dedham.

The funeral was held at the Congregational
Church Dedham and was conducted by Rev.
Perley B Davis assisted by Rev. Joseph B Seabury
of Wellesley Hills.

At the close of the Church service the Com-
mandery performed the Templar Service. and
at the close of the service the body was escorted
a short distance.

A special car was taken on the 4¹² P M train
for Boston and another special car taken at
the South Station for the Asylum where the
lives were dismissed and the Commandery
closed at four o'clock and fifty nine min-
utes P M.

This record is from minutes furnished by Em-
t Sir Charles S Silchfield, and Em- Sir Henry H Silchfield
Attest: Herbert A Rhoades Recorder.

Asylum of Boston Commandery & B

Lonic Hall Masonic Temple Boston Mass

Sunday April 15th 1900.

Special Conclave

A Commandery of Knights
Similar was opened in Due Form at 2¹⁰ o'clock
P. M. Eminent Commander J. Gilman Waite
presiding assisted by the following officers:-

Sir John H Bowker	Generalessimo
Sir Rinaldo B Richardson	Captain General
Emt Sir James H Upham	Associate Prelate
Sir Richard A Atwood	Senior Warden.
Sir Charles S Darnell	Junior Warden
Sir Herbert A Rhoades.	Recorder
Sir John H Boughton	Standard Bearer
Sir Edgar S Em-unt	Sword Bearer
Sir James S Blake	Warder
Sir William A Barr.	Adjutant
Sir Will A Murtfeldt	} as Guards
Sir Joseph S Paul	
Sir J. Frank Hadley.	
Sir Charles H Goldthwaite	
Sir Arthur H Littlefield	

Sir Morton Alden	as Guard
Sir Frederick Sampson	Armorer
Sir Thomas M. Carter	Musical Director
Sir Edward MacDonald	Sentinel

The Eminent Commander announced that the band was called to attend an Easter Service at Tremont Temple on invitation of Rev Sir George C. Lorimer.

The lines were formed and the Commandery left the Temple at 2³⁰ o'clock taking the Grand Commandery under escort and proceeded down Tremont Street to Tremont Temple.

The following Commanderies were also in the escort to the Grand Commandery

"De Molay"	Boston
"Palestine"	Chelsea
"Hugh de Payens"	Melrose
"St Omer"	South Boston
"Joseph Warren"	Roslindale
"Wm Parkman"	East Boston
"Williamson"	Newtonville
"Oliver"	Salem
"Cambridge"	Cambridge

This band was opened by virtue of the following authority:

Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
and the
Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

General Orders } Office of the R & G Grand Commander.
Series of 1899-1900 } 1 Walnut Ave Roxbury Mass
No 7 } Telephone W-69-2 Roxbury

To all Knights Templars Within the Jurisdiction of this Grand Commandery:-

It having become the custom with many of the Commanderies to attend in uniform religious services on Easter Sunday, I hereby grant this my dispensation, authorizing the several Commanderies within this jurisdiction to parade in full Templar uniform, with banners, but without music, on Easter Sunday, April 15, 1900, for the purpose of attending Easter services.

The Commanders of the several Commanderies that have accepted the invitation of Sir Knight Rev. George C. Lorimer DD to attend Easter services at Tremont Temple, Boston, will report to Eminent Sir John D. Munroe Grand Master of

Guards at the Grand Recorder's Office Masonic Temple. Boston Mass at two o'clock P M sharp

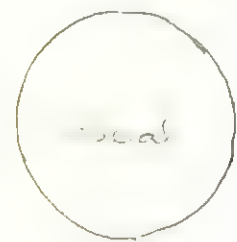
Upon completion of the formation of the lines the several Commanderies will escort the Right Eminent Grand Commander and Suite to Tremont Temple. Officers and Sir Knights of the several Commanderies will appear in full Templar uniform, wearing white gloves instead of gauntlets.

This order will be read at the head of each Commandery at the first Conclave after its receipt and spread upon the records.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Grand Commandery of S. D. and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island this the 23^d day of March A D 1882 A D 1900

Herbert D. Morse

Grand Commander.



Attest.

B. W. Rowell

Grand Recorder.

The Knights Templars filled the entire body of the Temple and nearly all of the first balcony

The entire building was

filled by the friends of the Templars, many standing during the entire services.

The members of the Grand Commandery were seated on the platform as was also a large chorus and orchestra which rendered most excellent music

The sermon was delivered by Sir Knight Rev George C. Loomer D D and was listened to with marked attention by all.

At the close of the services the Commandery returned to the Asylum where the lines were dismissed and the Commandery closed at four o'clock and fifty five minutes P M.

Nearly two hundred Knights attended in Regalia from our Commandery

A true record

Attest

Herbert A. Rhoades

Recorder

Asylum of Boston Commandery & S

Ionic Hall Masonic Temple. Boston Mass

Wednesday April 18th 1900

Stated Banquet

A Commandery of Knights Templars, was opened in Due Form at 6 o'clock P. M. Eminent Commander of Gilman Waite presiding assisted by the following officers:

Sir John H Bowker.
Sir Rinaldo B Richardson

Generalissimo
Captain General
Prelate

Emt Sir James H Upham
Sir Richard A Alwood
Sir Charles S Darnell
Sir James D Ronimus
Sir Herbert A Rhoades
Sir John H Houghton
Sir Edgar S Hunt
Sir James S Blake
Sir William A Bass
Sir Jesse E Ames
Sir Will A Murtfeldt
Sir Joseph S Paul.

Associate Prelate
Senior Warden
Junior Warden
Treasurer
Recorder
Standard Bearer
Sword Bearer
Warden
Adjutant
Third Guard
Second Guard
First Guard.

Sir John H MacAlman	First Asst Guard
Sir Abbott L Aldrich	Second Asst Guard
	Third Asst Guard
	Fourth Asst Guard
	Fifth Asst Guard
Sir Frederick Sampson	Armorer
Sir Thomas M Barber	Musical Director
Sir Edward MacDonald	Sentinel

Absent:

Rev Sir George L Perin	Prelate
Sir Charles H Goldthwaite	Third Asst Guard
Sir Frank Hadley	Fourth Asst Guard
Sir Leon M Abbott	Fifth Asst Guard

Past Eminent Commanders

present:-

Rt. Em. Sir Samuel B Lawrence.
 Em. Sir James H Utham
 Em. Sir James M Gleason
 Em. Sir Eugene A Dillon
 Em. Sir Leonard B McInnis
 Em. Sir Charles B Litchfield
 Em. Sir Henry H Litchfield
 Em. Sir William B Lawrence

The Records of the Stated

1. Conclave of March 21-1900, of the Entertainment of March 23-1900 and of the Special Conclave of April 4-1900 were read and approved.

2. Reports were received from the Committees on the applications of
 Com. Charles Waldron Bacon
 Com. Edwin Winthrop Boyce.
 Com. William Henry Bartland
 Com. William Lincoln Crosby
 Com. Curtis Guild Jr.
 Com. Lewis Jewelllyn Jones.
 Com. Paul Constantine Klein
 Com. Zachariah Barry Dean.

for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was taken in each case which proving clear they were severally declared elected to receive the Orders of Knighthood in Boston Commandery K T.

3. Reports were received from the Committees on the applications of
 Com. Allen Park Boyce
 Com. Edwin Archer Stone
 for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was taken in each case which proving not clear their applications were declared rejected

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Previous to the ballot on
the application of Comd William Henry Bart-
land the following communication was read:-

Hugh de Payens Commandery
Knights Templars
Melrose Mass April 12. 1900

Herbert A Rhoades Esq
Recorder.

Dear Sir Knight:

At the Stated Conclave of Hugh de
Payens Commandery held Wednesday April 11
1900 it was unanimously voted that permission
be granted to Boston Commandery No 2 Boston to
confer the Orders of Knighthood on Comd William
Henry Bartland, Residence Wakefield Mass.

Courteously yours
Calvin W Sawyer
Recorder.



Sir John St North for the
committee on proposed amendment to the
By Laws presented the following report.

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Boston Mass April 18-1900

Em Commander and Sir Knights of
Boston Commandery
Sir Knights:-

Your committee, to whom was
referred the amendment of Em Sir Leonard B
Nichols in relation to the Permanent Fund
respectfully recommend that the amendment
be not adopted

Courteously
John St North
for the Committee

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It was voted that the
report of the Committee be accepted

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After a long and very
full discussion it was unanimously
voted that the recommendation of the
com. be adopted.

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It was voted that Rt
Comd Sir Samuel C Lawrence be requested
to furnish the Recorder with a copy of his
remarks to be inserted in the records which
he did and which were as follows:-

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Medford April 21 - 1900

Herbert A Rhoades Recorder.

Dear Sir Knight:-

I have endeavored to comply with the request of Boston Commandery expressed in their vote on the 18th inst and submit as nearly as I can recall them a copy of my remarks made in opposition to the adoption of the proposed amendment to the By-laws touching the Permanent Fund.

Yours courteously

Samuel C Lawrence

9 Eminent Commander.

In entering upon the discussion of the subject under consideration I beg to state that I sincerely hope no Sir Knight will take any umbrage or offence at any thing I may say whether he favors or opposes the adoption of the proposed amendment to Section 2 of Article III of the By Laws relating to Life Membership, for I disclaim any intention or desire to impugn the motives or question the good intentions of any Sir Knight in this matter. I entertain the highest respect and regard for my fellow Sir Knights, and I would not intentionally

9 say anything to disturb the cordial relations existing between us all.

Now I feel deeply concerned in the question under debate, not for any personal reason but wholly with a view to conserving the highest interests of our Commandery. I shall be with you probably but a few years more, or not many at the longest, but my devotion to Boston Commandery will cease only with my life. It has always been a source of gratification to me to lend my services and a helping hand to Boston Commandery when ever opportunity offered.

I took up the study of life membership and the creation of permanent and charity funds quite early in my Masonic career. I drew up the provisions for a charity fund for my own Lodge, Mount Vernon of Medford, and secured its adoption March 5, 1863 and I have often wondered what, if any, funds were established in Massachusetts at an earlier date on a similar basis. I believe a life membership of some kind was established a few years later in a Masonic body in Pennsylvania but I have never learned the history of it. I have secured the adoption of systems of

9 life membership with permanent funds in a considerable number of Masonic bodies, and have been trustee and treasurer of several of them during the past twenty two years, all without hope of fee or reward. I mention this service simply with a view to show that the subject is one with which I am familiar.

In 1874 I had the pleasure of drafting the Article relating to Life Membership in our By Laws and of urging its adoption. The most serious obstacle we had to overcome was the general distrust of the ability of Masonic bodies to establish funds of any kind and maintain them for any length of time. Many attempts had been made and many failures had resulted. History shows that when a fund is once touched its doom is sealed; any emergency serves for an excuse - and the fund finally dies under the process of constant depletion. Even the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts at that time had expended its Grand Charity Fund of \$50,000. in the erection of its Temple, and the greater number believed that the Fund was lost beyond recovery. When the Grand Lodge instructed the Trustees to deliver that fund, one of the trustees, Rev Lucius R Paige, whom we all

9 remember as a dearly beloved member of this Commandery, resigned his position as Trustee rather than obey the order of the Grand Lodge. All honor to his high sense of duty.

With a view of strengthening the confidence of the members of the Commandery in the stability of our fund, we unanimously adopted our present provision for life membership as a solemn agreement and inviolable compact between the Commandery and its future life members for the preservation and perpetuation of the entire principal of the Permanent Fund with all its sources of income intact and further to insure this object the following words were inserted in the By Laws: - "It shall not be considered good knightly faith in the Commandery to diminish the rate of increase hereby established. "The principal of the Fund shall never be expended" " This solemn compact was adopted at far the largest business meeting ever held by Boston Commandery in regular convocation.

Now the proposed amendment will make no changes in the By Law relating to the Permanent Fund. First, it substitutes the words "Permanent Fund" for the word "Fund".

9 mandery" in the following sentence:- "The fund shall consist of all moneys received for Life Membership, of all donations and bequests to the Commandery," so that it would read as follows:- "The fund shall consist of all moneys received for Life Membership, of all donations and bequests to the Permanent Fund"

Second, it diminishes the income of the Permanent Fund by a sum equal to one-tenth of the annual dues of the Commandery and one-tenth of the fees received for membership in the Commandery.

Third, it amends the following sentence:- "It shall not be considered good knightly faith in the Commandery to diminish the rate of increase hereby established."

Fourth, it adds to the sentence "The principal of the fund shall never be expended" the words "nor encroached upon" so that it would read "The principal of the fund shall never be expended nor encroached upon"

Let us consider the first change proposed in the By Law. It has been argued tonight that the sentence "The fund shall consist *** of all donations and bequests to the Commandery" means that all donations and bequests of every kind whether made for

9 specific purposes or otherwise must become a part of the Permanent Fund. This is an utter misapprehension. Money given to the Commandery for a specific purpose cannot be diverted from that purpose. Since the establishment of the Permanent Fund we have often raised money by subscription or otherwise and expended it for the intended purpose without any thought of the Permanent Fund's having a claim upon it. It certainly has no such claim. The fact is, donations for specific purposes must be applied to those purposes, and there is law enough to compel us to apply bequests to the specific purposes designated by the givers. The words "donations and bequests" in the By Laws only include such donations and bequests as are not given us for any specific purpose.

If the words "the Permanent Fund" be substituted for the word "Commandery" in the By Law as proposed, we immediately encounter an insurmountable legal difficulty, for any clause in a will by which a bequest is made to a permanent and perpetual fund is invalid under the laws of the State, unless the fund is devoted to the purposes of charity, education or religion. In the drafting of the By Law

9 the word "Commandery" was advisedly used to prevent any misdirection of the bequests. For myself I have strong personal objections to the proposed substitution, for it would invalidate a clause in my will executed many years ago in which I made a bequest of \$10,000 to Boston Commandery, and I presume it would do similar injury in other cases.

By the way, I was an officer of this Commandery when I made this bequest, and it occurs to me to suggest to our present officers that it is a good precedent for them to follow, and the hint may just as well be taken by their predecessors in office since 1874, and I see no objection, legal or moral, to the extension of this privilege to the entire membership of the Commandery, each to contribute according to his ability, in recognition of the happiness he has derived from his connection with our order of Knighthood.

The second proposed change in the By Law would diminish the income of the Permanent Fund by a sum equal to one-tenth of the annual dues. It is urged that this sum, estimated at \$480, is needed to meet an expected deficit, but whether there be one or not, we have had no data presented to us upon which we can form a reliable estimate of its amount.

9 Again it is argued that we are under no obligation to lay up funds for posterity. But we know the highest conception of duty as interpreted by the best minds is to do what we can for the benefit of the world in our day and generation, just as our predecessors did for us. Viewed otherwise the world would be a miserable place to live in and our children would have but a poor prospect to look forward to. In very truth the civilized world through all its organizations political and social, is working to improve the conditions of life for the coming generations. With the Masons it has always been held to be a bounden duty to hand down a Masonic body in a better condition than that in which they found it. And let us not forget that our predecessors have done nobly for us. They have contributed from the receipts of annual dues during the last twenty six years to the principal of the fund an amount sufficient to yield us every year a sum equal to the amount we are called upon to contribute as one tenth of the annual dues. If we cannot see the desirability of contributing our mite for posterity, can we have the conscience to refuse so to do when it actually costs us nothing? Have we the effrontery to pocket

9 the money given us each year as income of that part of the principal of the Permanent Fund which has been contributed from the dues during the past twenty six years and refuse to make any return - we refuse even when it does not cost us a cent to do our full duty? Had we not better devise some other and honest way of raising the 80 cents apiece, if found necessary?

The third change proposes the omission of the words, "It shall not be considered good faith in the Commandery to diminish the rate of increase hereby established." This sentence was inserted in the Bylaw for the special purpose of giving a binding and sacred force to the compact and agreement to preserve the fund and its established increment intact. That purpose must hold so long as the fund exists, and the occasion will never come when we shall feel justified in revoking our pledge. No, let these solemn and impressive words forever hold their place in the Bylaw.

The fourth change suggested is to add the words "no encroached upon" to the sentence, "The principal of the Fund shall never be expended." Such an addition would be plainly surplusage and would add nothing to the strength of the provision. As the sentence stands, no portion

9 of the principal of the Fund can be expended.

At the annual convolve of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island in 1895, in my address as Grand Commander I enforced the importance of using proper methods and safeguards in the establishment of any system of life membership, and outlined the provisions essential to the success of such a system. In this connection I called attention to the life membership established in Boston Commandery twenty one years before, and instanced it as a successful example worthy of general imitation. It would be to us all a source of deep mortification if Boston Commandery should now fail to maintain the high standard it set up for itself so many years ago.

Eminent Commander and Sir Knights, I speak with a good deal of feeling upon this subject, for I cannot but see that it involves a very important question of principle. Twenty six years ago when we established this Fund, recognizing the fact that that it would be constantly liable to encroachment, we safeguarded it in every possible way; and so protected, we believed it would be secure against every assault; and finally we pledged our knightly faith to preserve it intact and inviolate, to be

9 a source of strength and comfort to our Commandery through all the coming years and to show how we regarded it, we called the Band the "Permanent Band" - not to be heckled at and nibbled at as occasion might tempt us. No, we called it a "Permanent Band" - forever proof against recklessness and improvidence.

Sir Knights, ours is an Order of Chivalry, and we are under peculiar obligations to respect its traditional laws. Edmund Burke, in his celebrated eulogium on the institution, especially praises it as endowed with a "sensibility of principle and a chastity of honor" from which he said we have fallen off in these later times.

Not so with us - Knights Templars - not so with us, I trust. For myself, I would rather that the Band were a few times larger than it is, were sunk a thousand fathoms deep in the sea - "deeper than ever the sun's rays reached" - than that Boston Commandery, whose record through three generations, has been free from stain, should deliberately, and without even the excuse of extraordinary temptation, violate its pledge of knightly honor. We cannot do it! We cannot do it! and I am sure that the Sir Knights of Boston Commandery will not permit it to be done.

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The following communication was read:-

Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
and the

Grand Order of Massachusetts and Rhode Island
Office of the R & Grand Commander
No 1 Walnut Avenue Roxbury Mass
April 16 - 1900.

Em Sir, of Gilman Warle
Commander of Boston Commandery No 2.

Em and Dear Sir,

Allow me to express to you and through you to the officers and Sir Knights of Boston Commandery my sincere thanks for the interest taken to make the Easter Service conducted by Sir Rt Rev George C. Somner D.D. at St. Vincent Temple, a grand success. The large number in uniform and the close attention given to the service prove that the Sir Knights are not only loyal to our noble order, but that they are true to the teachings of our institution and I assure you that I am proud of, and heartily appreciate the generous response of the officers and Sir Knights.

Sincerely yours

Herbert S. Morse

Grand Commander

11 Applications for the Orders
of Singhthood were received from

Capt. Charles Louis Frankel.

Residence:- 81 Staniford Street Boston

Occupation:- Physician

Place of Business:- 81 Staniford Street Boston

Member of Joseph's Lodge Boston

" " St Paul's R A Chapter " "

Recommended by Sir Joseph J Bennett

Committee:- Sir Charles S Danvers, Sir Frederick L

Briggs Sir William S Cheswick.

Capt. Alvan Marshall Thompson.

Residence:- 19 Cedar Street West Somerville Mass

Occupation:- Wholesale Beer

Place of Business:- 6-10 Quincy Row Boston

Member of John Abbott Lodge Somerville Mass

" " Somerville R A Chapter Somerville Mass

Recommended by Sir Fred L Thompson

Committee:- Sir Jesse E Ames Sir John H MacAlman

Sir Richard A Alwood

An application for Membership was received from

Sir Hubert Cleveland

12 Residence:- 497 Columbus Avenue Boston

Occupation:- Presdt Beach & Bridge Co.

Place of Business:- 52-58 Eastern Avenue Boston

Member of Massachusetts Lodge Boston

" " St Paul's R A Chapter " "

Recommended by Sir William F Butler

Committee:- Sir Henry A Locke, Sir Edward J
Tilton Sir John H Mars.

The Eminent Commander
announced the death of

Sir Alfred M Smith

April 1-1900.

and a Memorial Page was ordered to be prepared

The following acknowledgments
were read:-

66 Kenwood Street Lincoln.

March 31-1900.

To the members of the

Boston Commandery

Dear Friends,

Words seem so feeble an expression of the appreciation of the love and sympathy which one feels by the token of a beautiful floral gift in honor of a dear one

14 I assure you I received much comfort in the demonstration you showed by the flowers and your presence. He was a true Mason and it was always his desire to be laid at rest by his brother Masons

I trust I may always be a true friend to the Masonic Order.
With best wishes for your future advancement
I am

Yours sincerely,
Clara P Nickerson

With grateful appreciation of your kindness
Miss Ellen V Smith
49 Beacon Street

15 The Eminent Commander in behalf of the Committee on Ladies Night presented the following report:

Asylum of Boston Commandery K. T.
Boston April 18-1900.

Knights:
The committee appointed to carry out the vote of the Commandery passed at its January convocation relative to the holding of a reception to the ladies begs leave to report

15 that upon consideration it was voted to hold the same on Friday evening March 23 ult. Arrangements were completed for the same at an early date and more than six hundred Sir Knights, ladies and friends participated in the festivities of an occasion which has now passed into the history of this organization

Financially the report is as follows:-

Receipts:-	
Cash received from sale of 611 Tickets	\$1222.00
Disbursements:-	
Printing - 12 ⁷⁵ 9 ⁷⁵ 90 ⁷⁵	\$113.25
Postage	20.
Masonic Temple	100
Decorations and Silavers.	47.75
Services -	
Police 8 ⁰⁰ - At door 6 ⁰⁰ Ammen 5 ⁰⁰	
Maids 6 ⁰⁰	25.
Professional Services (Geo W Blisk)	15.
Music, including Organist	78.
Banquet	780.75
Incidentals	1.65
	1.18
	1.40
	<u>\$ 40⁶⁰</u>

Leaving a balance of
Cordlessly Submitted
J. Gelman Waite
John H. Bowker
Eugene R. Hallen
for the Committee

16 It was voted that the report
be accepted and ordered spread upon the records.

17 It was voted that the balance
accruing from the Ladies night entertainment be
set aside as an amusement fund

18 On motion of the Recorder
it was voted that the thanks of Boston Com-
mandery be extended to De Molay and St
Bernard Commanderies and to the Scottish
Rite Bodies who so generously opened their
several rooms for the inspection of our guests
on the Ladies Night; also to the Weber Quartette
who freely offered their services on that
occasion.

19 The business of a Com-
mandery of Knights Templar was suspended
and a Council of the Illustrious Order of the Red
Cross opened for the reception of and id alio.

20 The Illustrious Order of
the Red Cross was then conferred in the
Hall and with full ceremonies and
Comd Charles Waldron Bar-
Comd Edwin Wintrop Boyce

20 Comd William Henry Bartland
Comd William Lincoln Crosby
Comd Curtis Guild Jr.
Comd Lewis Stewellyn Jones
Comd Paul Constantine Klein
Comd Zachariah Barry Leon.
were created and constituted companions of
the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross.

There being no further
business the Commandery was closed in
in. Sign at ten o'clock and fifty four min-
utes P M

Members present	
In Uniform	63
Not in Uniform	77

Among the visiting
Sir Knights were.

Rt Emk Sir William St. Soule	Pf Commander
Rt Emk Sir Ellery Gasfield	Pf of Michigan
St Emk Sir Joseph R Orr.	Pf of Georgia
Emk Sir John C Chase.	P. E. of Plantagenet
Commandery and Committee on Correspondence	
of the Grand Commandery of North Carolina	
Sir Albert E. Butler.	"Chitcolthe" Commandery
Chitcolthe	

After closing the Banqueting
a collation was served in the Banquet Hall.

21 The following Sir Knights
paid the balance of the necessary fee to perfect
their Life Membership
Sir Enoch Beane
Sir Vernon M Peirce

22 Sir Ernest B Moore paid
the necessary fee and was enrolled a Life
Member.

A true record

Attest:- Herbert A Rhoades
Recorder.

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Sir Arthur ... died.

Sunday April 1-1900 His funeral was
held Wednesday April 4-1900 and was conducted
by the Commandery.

Asylum of Boston Commandery 51

Conic Hall Masonic Temple Boston Mass

Wednesday May 16th 1900

Stated Banquet

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 2³⁰ o'clock P.M. Eminent Commander J. Gilman Waite Presiding assisted by the following officers -

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|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Sir John H Bowker | Generalissimo |
| Sir Rinaldo B Richardson | Captain General |
| | Prelate |
| Emt Sir James H Upham | Associate Prelate |
| Sir Richard A Atwood | Senior Warden |
| Sir Charles S Danrell | Junior Warden |
| Sir James D Rommus | Treasurer |
| Sir Herbert A Rhoades | Recorder |
| Sir John H Boughton | Standard Bearer |
| Edgar S Saint | Sword Bearer |
| James S Blane | Warden |
| Sir William R Bazz | Adjutant |
| James S Ames | Third Guard |
| Sir Will A Muntfeldt | Second Guard |
| Sir Joseph S Lane | First Guard |

Sir John H MacAlman	First Asst Guard
Sir Abbott L Aldrich	Second Asst Guard
Sir Frank Hadley	Third Asst Guard
	Fourth Asst Guard
Sir Leon M Abbott	Fifth Asst Guard
Sir Frederick Samson	Armorer
Sir Thomas M Carter	Musical Director
Sir Edward MacDonald	Sentinel

Absent:-

Rev Sir George L Perin	Prelate
Sir Charles H Goldthwaite	Fourth Asst Guard

Past Eminent Commanders

present:-

Em Sir John L Hall
 Rt Em Sir Samuel L Lawrence
 Em Sir James H Upham
 Em Sir Francis Lottis
 Em Sir Frederick B Bornee
 Em Sir Eugene A Holton
 Em Sir Leonard B Nicholson
 Em Sir Charles B Sitchfield
 Em Sir Henry H Sitchfield
 Em Sir William B Lawrence

1 The Eminent Commander

1 called this Banquet in the afternoon for the express purpose of getting a large attendance of the Past Commanders and older members of the Commandery and his efforts were well rewarded; all but three of our living Past Commanders being present and nearly two hundred and fifty members during the working of the Degree.

Of the Past Commanders absent Em Sir Dame and Em Sir Endicott were delayed by infirmities and Em Sir Gleason was out of the State on an extended business trip.

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The Order of the Temple was conferred in Due Form and with full ceremony and

Camp Gustavus Fisher Guild
 Camp Charles Waldron Bacon
 Camp Edwin Winthrop Boyce
 Camp William Henry Bartland
 Camp William Lincoln Crosby
 Camp Curtis Guild Jr.
 Camp Lewis Ellwell Jones
 Camp Paul Constantine Klein
 Camp Zachariah H. ...

were created and Dubbed Knights of the ... and Magnanimous Order of the

2 Temple, Knights Templars

3 The Order of Malta was then conferred in the Short Form and the same Sir Knights were created and Dubbed Knights of Malta after which they repaired to the Recorder's desk and signed the By Laws.

4 A pleasing feature of the Work was the presence of Emc. Sir Edmund Hall in the ranks in full Regalia during the conferring of the Order of the Temple.

5 Emc. Sir Lott was taken over the Temple by the Armourer and when he left the Asylum the Commandery came to present as he passed through the lines, the Orchestra playing "Auld Lang Syne".

At 6³⁰ o'clock an inter-
mission was taken for supper.

At 7⁴⁵ o'clock the Com-
mandery was again called to order on the Temple Degree and the business of the evening transacted.

6 The Records of the Special Conclave of April 15-1900 and of the Stated Con-
clave of April 18-1900 were read and approved

7 Reports were received from the Committees on the applications of
Camp Charles Louis Frankel

Camp Alvah Marshall Thompson.
for the Orders of Knighthood and a ballot was taken in each case which proving clear they were severally declared entitled to receive the Orders of Knighthood in Boston Commandery K S

8 Reports were received from the Committee on the application of
Sir Hubert Cleveland Beach
for Membership in Boston Commandery and a ballot was taken which proving clear he was declared elected to membership, he afterwards signed the By Laws,

9 The following communication was read:-

Com De Lion Commandery
Knights Templars
Boston, Charlestown Dist May 15-1900
To the Emminent Commander,

9 Officers & Sn Knights
of Boston Commandery K B.

Dear Sn & Sirs:

Camp George E. Marsters, a resident of
Winthrop, has made application to this Com-
mandery to receive the Orders of Knighthood.

In his application he states that he has once
before applied to Boston Commandery for the
Orders and is therefore within your jurisdiction.

Acknowledging your jurisdiction and being
desirous of concerning the Order upon said Com-
panion if he shall be found worthy, Your de Sirs hereby
hereby courteously asks the permission of Boston
Commandery to confer the Orders on above named Companion.

Yours Sincerely

W E Barber

Recorder.

This matter was laid over
until the next Conclave to be borne upon the
notice.

10 The following communication
was read.

Mr Herbert A. Rhoads

Dear Sir:-

10 I write to you as Recorder
of Boston Commandery asking you to extend
to the Commandery at its meeting the thanks
of my mother, brother and myself for the beau-
tiful floral piece sent to the funeral of my
father, Alfred M. Smith. We are also grateful
to those who were present to do him honor
and participate in the very impressive ser-
vices at the church. My father was a constant
attendant at your meetings and was perfectly
devoted to Masonry, therefore we were very grate-
ful that so many of his associates should do
him honor.

Very truly yours

Adelaide I. Smith

12 Watlington St.

Dedham Mass

April 18 - 1900

11 Applications for the Orders
of Knighthood were received from.

Camp. Henry Luther Baker

Residence:- 497 Columbus Avenue Boston

Occupation: Travelling Salesman

Place of Business:- 58 Eastern Avenue Boston

Member of Massachusetts Lodge Boston

- 11 Member of Sylvester Baxter R A Chapter West Barre Mass
 Recommended by Sir H. Cleveland Beach
 Committee: - Sir Frederick Sampson Sir William W
 Griffin Sir Charles D Wright

Sir Samuel Iceland St Alb.

Residence: - 12 Humboldt Avenue Roxbury

Occupation: Mechanical Engineer

Place of Business: - 67 Sudbury Street Boston

Member of St John's Lodge Boston

" St Paul's R A Chapter Boston

Recommended by Sir John St Bowler.

Committee: - Sir Rinaldo B Richardson Sir John St
 oughton Sir Beveridge Moulton

Sir William Beattie M^c Gellan

Residence: - 540 Newbury Street Boston

Occupation: Insurance

Place of Business: - 60 State Street Boston

Member of Union Lodge Dorchester

" Dorchester R A Chapter Dorchester

Recommended by Em^t Sir James St Upham

Committee: - Sir Arthur St Lilliefield, Sir Edward
 P Upham Sir Will A Munkfield

The following amendments
 to the By Laws were offered by Sir Herbert A Moulton

- 12 To amend Article VII Section 1 by striking out
 the word "fifty" in the seventh line and inserting
 the words "one hundred and twenty". also to amend
 Article IX. Section 3 by striking out the word
 "fifty" in the third line and inserting the words
 "twenty five"

Referred to a committee consisting of
 Sir Charles F Gayden
 Sir William C Ullman
 Sir John St North.

- 13 The Eminent Commander
 announced the following deaths:-

Sir Benjamin D. Butler	April 19-1900
Sir Eliab W Badger	April 29 1900.
Sir Charles C Fairbanks	April 29-1900

and a Memorial Page was ordered for each.

- 14 The Eminent Commander
 reported that Sir William St Burrows was
 growing weaker; also that Sir Frank E Schuch
 mann had met with a very severe accident
 and was at the City Hospital Boston.

- 15 The question of a Pilgrimage

15 was discussed at considerable length, several test votes being taken and it was finally voted, on motion of Sir John St North, to have a Fil = grimage of not exceeding two days ^{in the month of June 1900}, that the matter be left to the Council with full power to make all arrangements including the power to add to their number, the expense to be borne entirely by those participating and that a band be taken.

There being no further business the Commandery was closed in Due Form at ten o'clock P.M.

16 The following Sir Knights paid the balance of the fee necessary to perfect their Life Membership

Sir Irving B Frost

Sir Luther W Puffer.

Sir John L Sindlay

Sir James R Blair

Sir J Arthur Jacobs

A true record

(Attest)

Herbert A Rhoades

Recorder

Summary

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Sir Benjamin D. Butler
died at Gaffney N H Thursday April 19-1900
His death was not known sufficiently early
to admit of sending any floral tribute to his
funeral

Sir Eliab W Badger died
Sunday April 29-1900 at Medford Mass
His funeral was held Tuesday May 1-1900 at 2
o'clock - The commandery was represented by
Rt Em Sir Samuel B Lawrence Em Sir William
B Lawrence - Sir Daniel W Lawrence Sir Parker R
Litchfield Sir Ernest B Moore.

Sir Charles A Fairbanks
died Sunday April 29-1900 at his residence 20
Winchester St Brookline His funeral was at
the same place Wednesday May 3-1900 at 3 o'clock
PM and the body was taken to Athol Mass for
burial

The commandery was represented by Sir
Martin A Munroe Sir John Blackie Sir G. Frederick
Lampson

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Asylum of Boston Commandery & S.

Some Ball.

Masonic Temple

Boston Mass

Wednesday June 20th 1900.

Stated Conclave

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 6³⁰ o'clock
by the Eminent Commander, Gilman Waite,
being assisted by the following Officers:

Sir John H. Bowler.

Sir Rinaldo B. Richardson

Sir James H. Upham

Sir Richard A. Atwood

Sir Charles S. Darnell

Sir Herbert A. Rhoades

Sir John H. Houghton

Sir Edgar D. Hunt

Sir James S. Blake.

Sir William A. Barr.

Sir Jesse S. Ames

Sir Will A. Murkfeldt.

Sir Joseph S. Paul.

Generalissimo

Captain General

Prelate

Associate Prelate

Senior Warden

Junior Warden.

Treasurer

Recorder

Standard Bearer

Sword Bearer

Warden

Adjutant

Third Guard

Second Guard

First Guard.

5 Sir William H Knight.

Sir John Holland.

Sir William H Burrows

Sir Thomas De Francis

June 8 1900

June 9 1900

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The following acknowledgments

were read.

Boston Commandery, H. T.

Herbert A Rhodes Record.

Please accept my sincere thanks
for the beautiful token of esteem for my
dear husband, so beautifully expressed
by the elegant flowers so kindly contributed

Very sincerely

Emogene P. Fairbanks

20 Winchester St.

Brockton.

May the ninth 1900.

6 Claremont St.

Mon A M

Dear Mr Waile.

My son joins with me in extending
to the Boston Commandery H. T. our hearty
gratitude for the very beautiful floral
sent to cheer us in our sorrow. Truly one.

6 wish was that my dear husband could
have known of the love of his friends and the
manifestation of their respect for his uprightness
and integrity

You will always be held in loving remem-
brance

Very sincerely yours.

Alicia H Knight

Mrs G. J. Waile.

Dear Sir

Will you accept and give to
the Sir Knights of the Commandery my
sincere thanks for the beautiful flowers
sent as a token of the regard and esteem
they have for my husband. Truly appreciate
it I assure you

June thirteenth.

W B Burrows
M.A.S.

The following communication
was read:-

Boston May 24th 1900.

Our Commander.

6 Gilman Waile

Dear Sir & Sir Knight:

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I wish to thank you most heartily
for your kind attention tendered me on my
visit to the Temple the 16th of this month.
It afforded me great pleasure to be present
as I had a very enjoyable time.

Please also extend my thanks to Sir
Knight Sampson for his kindness in showing
me about the Temple and for all other favors
shown.

Kindly remember me to all inquiring
friends and if you or they have any spare
moments at any time I would be pleased
to see you.

Very fraternally yours

W. E. Sampson

101 Fremont St. N. C.

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The following was read:-

Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
and the

Affendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

General Order } Office of the R E Grand Commander
Series of 1899-1900 } 1 Walnut Ave Roxbury Mass.
No 6 }

So the Commanders of the Several Com-

manderies within this Jurisdiction:-

Truly realizing that the work of the Order of
Knights of Malta, as exemplified in many of the
Commanderies within this jurisdiction is not in
strict accord with the Ritual as authorized by
the Grand Encampment of the United States of
America at the Triennial Conclave held in
San Francisco Cal 1883 and feeling that it is
from the fact that some of the Commanders
have not received a copy of that Ritual, I have
this day ordered that the Grand Recorder send
to each Commander a copy of said Ritual with
a receipt for the same which you will sign and
return to him.

You are hereby notified that on and after
this date the enacting of the Order of Knights
of Malta in this jurisdiction by any other form
of Ritual than shown on page 47 of said Ritual
is prohibited and that said copy of the Ritual
is subject to the requirements of General Order
No 2 Series of 1899 and 1900 as issued from this
Office.

This order will be read at the head of
each Commandery at the first Conclave after
its receipt and be made a matter of record.

Witness my hand and the seal of the
Grand Commander of the Order of Knights of Malta

8 | the Ahhendant Orders of Massachusetts and
Rhode Island. this 23^d day of March. A.D.
1900 A.D. 782.



Herbert S. Morse
Grand Commander
Attest:
B W Rawell
Grand Recorder

7 | An application for the
Orders of Knighthood, was received from

Comp. Charles. H. Whittier
Residence:- 18 Belknap Street Arlington Mass
Occupation:- Drawing & Engraving
Place of Business:- 12 Summer Street Boston
Member of Mt Lebanon Lodge Boston
" " St Paul's R A Chapter "
Recommended by Sir Edward W Phillips
Committee:- Sir Percy S Farrell Sir Herbert
S Kelley Sir Joseph S Paul

10 | Voted that the Stated.
Conclaves for July and August be constituted.

11 | Attention was called
to the approaching Pilgrimage and to the

11 | fact that there had not been so generous a
response on the part of the Sir Knights as had
been hoped and it was voted that the Com-
mandery pay the expense of the Band on
this Pilgrimage.

12 | The business of a Com-
mandery of Knights Templars was suspended
and a Council of the Illustrious Order of the
Red Cross opened for the reception of candidates

13 | The Order of the Red Cross
was then conferred in Due Form and with
Dull Ceremonies and
Comp Charles Louis Frankel
Comp Elvah Mountfort Thompson
were created and constituted Companions
of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross.

There being no further
business the Commandery was closed
in Due Form at nine o'clock and fifteen
minutes P M.

Members present	
In Uniform	28
Not in Uniform	83

After closing the Com-
mandery a collation was served in
the Banquet Hall

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The following Sir Knights
paid the balance of the fee necessary to secure
their Life Membership:

- Sir Henry D Wiggan
- Sir Edward O. Hatch
- Sir Herbert A Rhoades
- Sir Frank P Rhoades

A true record

Attest Herbert A Rhoades
Recorder

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Sir William D. Knight

died. His funeral was held from his late residence and was attended by the following Sir Knights: Rev Sir George S. Perin, Sir John H. Bowker, Sir Joseph Hubbard, Sir Frederick L. Briggs, Sir Joseph L. Hewes, Sir Beverly S. Moulton, Sir Isaac Harris, Sir A. Frederick Sampson, Sir William H. Stocker, Sir George W. Wilson.

Sir John H. Holland died

at Dover N. H.

His body was taken to for burial and was met at the Union Station in Boston by the Grand Commander who extended his sympathy to the family and his offers of services which were not needed.

Sir William D. Bureau

died June 8-1900. His funeral was held from his late residence Tuesday June 12 at 2 o'clock P. M. and was attended by Ent Sir A. Gilman Waite, ^{Exr.} Sir Charles A. Litchfield, Sir Josiah B. Dyer, Sir Edgar A. Cook, Sir Julian B. Webster.

Sir Thomas H. B. B. B.

died June 9-1900. His funeral was held at 17 Ruthven Street Dorchester Tuesday June 12-1900 at 2 o'clock P. M.

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Asylum of Boston Commandery K 5

Temple Hall - Masonic Temple - Boston Mass

Friday June 22^d 1900

Special Conclave.

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 8 o'clock P.M. Eminent Commander J. Gilman Waite presiding assisted by the following officers

Sir John H. Bowker.	Generalissimo
Sir Rinaldo B. Richardson	Captain General
Sir Richard A. Alwood.	Senior Warden
Sir Charles S. Danrell	Junior Warden
Emt Sir Henry H. Sitchfield	Treasurer
Sir Herbert A. Rhoades	Recorder.
Sir John H. Houghton	Standard Bearer
Sir James S. Bliss	U. S. Standard
Sir Samuel M. Ham	Beauseant
Sir Edgar S. Hunt	Sword Bearer.
Sir James S. Blake.	Warden.
Sir Joseph S. Paul	} Guards
Sir John H. Macmillan	
Sir Charles H. Goldthwaite	
Sir S. Frederick Sampson	Armorer.

Sir Thomas M. Carter Musical Director
 Sir Edward MacDonald Sentinel.

The Eminent Commander announced that the band had been called to attend a Pilgrimage to Narragansett Pier and the Recorder read the following Dispensation:-

Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
 and the

Warrant Orders of Massachusetts & Rhode Island
 Office of the Grand Commander
 June 20th 1900

To the Eminent Commander Officers and
 Sir Knights of
 Boston Commandery No 2.

Good cause having been shown, I, by virtue of the power in me vested as Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island do hereby grant this my dispensation authorizing Boston Commandery of Boston Mass to parade in full Templar Uniform and with music and banners on June 22^d & 23^d 1900 for the purpose of observing St John's Day by a Pilgrimage to Narragansett Pier R. I.

Due and proper return will be made to me of the action had under this authority and this dispensation filed in the Archives of the Commandery and spread in full upon its records.



Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Commandery this 20th day of June A.D. 1900 A.O. 782.

Herbert S. Morse

Grand Commander

The lines were then formed and at 8¹⁵ o'clock the Commandery preceded by Carter's Boston Commandery Band left the Temple for the South Terminal Station via Bay State, Tremont, Winter and Summer Streets.

At the Station the ladies accompanying the party had been escorted to the train by a committee consisting of

Sir William C. Ullman

Sir Richard Staphord

Sir Charles E. Russell.

Sir John St. North

Sir Henry Samuel

The party left the Station at 9⁰⁵ A.M. in a Special Train for B. & P. Point Providence where a special Boat was taken for a sail in Narragansett Bay arriving at Crescent Park, Riverside at 12 o'clock for dinner.

Dinner being finished the boat was again taken and the Commandery arrived at the Pier about 6 o'clock where the ladies were taken in barges to the New Mathewson House which was our headquarters during our stay. The Commandery marching to the hotel.

In the evening a concert was given by the Band followed by Dancing until a late hour.

The next day barges were taken for the drive to Point Judith Light and many enjoyed the privilege of visiting this historic spot the scene of so many disastrous wrecks.

The return home was commenced at 3⁴⁵ P.M. arriving in Boston at about 6 o'clock when the Commandery marched to the Asylum via Summer.

Washington and Boylston Streets.

The lines were dismissed and the Commandery closed at six o'clock and forty minutes P.M.

The details of this Pilgrimage were accurately carried out in every particular and the delightful weather, beautiful situation and ample hotel accommodations marked it as another of those pleasant occasions which are always enjoyed whenever the Commandery journeys away from home.

A true record

Attest

Herbert A. Rhoades.

Recorder.

Addenda:-

There were about one hundred and sixty Six Knights and Ladies in the party besides the Band.

Asylum of Boston Commandery S.D.

Ionic Hall Masonic Temple Boston Mass.

Wednesday September 19-1900.

Stated Conclave.

A Commandery of Knights Templars was opened in Due Form at 6 o'clock P M. Eminent Commander of Gilman Waite presiding assisted by the following officers:-

Sir John H Bowker	Generalissimo
Rinaldo B Richardson	Captain General
Rev Sir George L Perrin	Prelate
	Associate Prelate
Richard A Atwood	Senior Warden
Charles S Darnell	Junior Warden
Emt Sir Charles F Ditchfield	as Treasurer
Sir Herbert A Rhoades.	Recorder
Sir John H Boughton	Standard Bearer.
Sir Edgar F Hunt	Sword Bearer
Sir James S Blake	Warder
Sir William R Barr	Adjutant
Sir Jesse S Ames.	Blind Guard
Sir Will A Winfield	Second Guard
Sir George S Paul	Third Guard

Sir John St Mac Tuman	First Asst Guard
Sir Abbott L Aldrich	Second Asst Guard
Sir J Frank Hadley	Third Asst Guard
Sir Charles St Goldthwaite	Fourth Asst Guard
Sir Leon M Abbott	Fifth Asst Guard
Sir J Frederick Sampson	Armorer
Sir Thomas M Carter	Musical Director
Sir Edward MacDonald.	Sentinel.

Absent:-

Emt Sir James St Upham	Associate Prelate
Sir James St Reminus	Treasurer.

Past Eminent. Commanders

present:-

Emt Sir Charles St Lame
 Emt Sir James M Gleason
 Emt Sir Leonard B Nichols
 Emt Sir Charles St Sitchfield.
 Emt Sir Henry St Sitchfield.

The Records of the Stated.
 Conclave of June 20-1900 and of the Special
 Conclave of June 22-1900 were read and
 approved

Reports were received

1 From the committee on the application of
 Camp. Charles St. Whittier
 for the Orders of Knighthood, and a ballot
 was taken which proving clear he was declared
 elected to receive the Orders of Knighthood in
 Boston Commandery St S

3 Official Circulars Nos
 2, 3, and 4 from the office of the Rt Emt
 and Commander were received, read
 and placed on file

4. Requests for Dimits were
 received as follows:-

Boston Sept 14 1900

Herbert A Rhoades Esq

Recorder Boston Commandery

I was surprised to receive
 enclosed bill today.

About a year ago I remitted in full for
 my dues and resigned my membership
 I have since that received very willingly
 a visit from a Sir Knight asking me to
 change my action but upon thoughtful
 consideration of the matter I have not felt
 willing to do so Lf. obt

Chas A Burditt

5. Boston March 9 - 1900.
Mr Herbert A Rhoades Sec.

Boston Commandery & 3 Boston Mass
Dear Sir:-

I enclose check for thirteen dollars to cover my dues to September 30th 1900 and I would like a withdrawal card from Boston Commandery to take effect September 1st this year.

Yours truly
A. W. Brigham

Boston Sept 9 - 1900.
Herbert A Rhoades Recorder
Boston Commandery
Dear Sir.

Please accept my resignation as a member of Boston Commandery as I find it absolutely impossible to take any active part in its affairs

Yours sincerely
Wm A French

Boston Sept 11 - 1900
To the Secretary of Boston Commandery
Will you kindly see that my name is removed from the membership list of

5 Boston Commandery as it will be impossible for me to continue

With sincere wishes that the Commandery may be successful and prosperous in its work I remain

Very faithfully yours
Alfred Stevens

455 Beacon St.

Boston Sept 17 - 1900.
Sir Herbert A Rhoades

My dear Sir
Enclosed please find check for Eight dollars in payment of dues in Boston Commandery for 1900 I also wish you would send me a dimut.

Courteously yours
L b Thayer.

The Recorder moved that any dues charged to Sir Burslett since his original request for a Dimut was presented be remitted, and reported the other Sir Knights as being clear on the books and it was voted to remit such dues and grant Dimuts as asked for

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The following communication
was read:-

Boston Mass Sept. 10 1900

To the Eminent Commander
and Members of Boston Commandery
Herbert A Rhoades Recorder

Dear Brother

I was deeply touched
by the thoughtfulness and the courtesy of
Boston Commandery in sending the
beautiful floral tribute on the occasion
of the funeral of Mrs Perin on July 1.st and
I want to take this occasion to thank you
with all my heart. While nothing may
considerably mitigate the sorrows of life
it was a comfort to me to be remembered
by Boston Commandery.

Yours sincerely

George E Perin.

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Applications for
Orders were received from.

Comdr. Francis S

Gold

Residence: 17 Abbeville Street West

Comdr. Francis S

8. Place of Business. Westfield Mass

Member of Revere Lodge Boston

" " St Andrews R A Chapter

Recommended by Sir Abbott L Aldrich
Committee:

Comdr Conrad Munzig Gerlach

Residence: 17 Belvidere Street Boston

Occupation:- Clerk - Banker's Office

Place of Business:- 88 State Street Boston

Member of Joseph Webb Lodge Boston

" " St Pauls R A Chapter Boston

Recommended by Sir Albert A Gleason.
Committee.

Comdr. Franklin Cankles Nelson

Residence:- 11 Hastings Street West Roxbury

Occupation:- Physician

Place of Business:- 11 Hastings Street West Roxbury

Member of Columbian Lodge Boston

" " St Pauls R A Chapter Boston

Recommended by Sir W. Clifton Jones
Committee:

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Camp Benjamin Willard Par's

Residence:- 4 Abbeville Street Dorchester

Occupation:- Treasurer School St Sean Co

Place of Business:- 28 School Street Boston

Member of Aberdeen Lodge Boston

" " Dorchester R A Chapter Dorchester

Recommended by Sir William St Baker

Committee:-

Camp Oscar Holmes Peare.

Residence:- 43 Robinson Street Dorchester

Occupation:- Lieutenant of Police

Place of Business:- Station 11 Dorchester

Member of Columbian Lodge Boston

" " Dorchester R A Chapter Dorchester

Recommended by Sir Charles S. Howell

Committee:-

Camp Milton Elmer Stephenson

Residence:- 5 Irvington Street Boston

Occupation:- Physician + Mercantile

Place of Business:- 5 Irvington Street Boston

Member of Columbian Lodge Boston

" St Pauls R A Chapter Boston

Recommended by Sir Charles S. Berry

Committee:-

Camp Anthony Wayne Strauss

Residence:- 1039 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge Mass

Occupation:- Paints, Oils etc

Place of Business:- 153 Franklin Street Boston

Member of Joseph Webb Lodge Boston

" St Pauls R A Chapter

Recommended by Sir James S Blake
Committee:-

The Eminent Commander
announced the following deaths:-

Sir Charles St Adair

Sir William St West

Sir William J Gilmore

Sir Freeman A Loring

June 24-1900

July 5-1900

July 21-1900

September 14-1900

and a Memorial Page was ordered in each

The following acknowledgements were read:-

Union Mr. White:

10 Will you kindly accept and extend
to the members of the Boston Commandery
Mrs Adair's most sincere thanks for the
beautiful floral emblem which so expressed
their sympathy to her for the death of Mr
Adair

Very sincerely
Miss Burnham.

Dorchester Mass
July 10 - 1900.

Boston Commandery
Knights Templar
Herbert T. Rhoades Recorder.
My Dear Sir

Please accept this expres-
sion of my gratitude for the kindness of
your members in sending the beautiful
floral remembrance upon the occasion of
my late husband's funeral services.
It was deeply appreciated coming from
Boston Commandery in which Mr West
had in years past taken so much interest
and pleasure

Very sincerely yours
Maria S. West

The Eminent Commander
in behalf of the Committee presented the
following report of the St John's Day Pilgrimage:-

Financial Statement

Boston Commandery Pilgrimage
Narragansett Pier June 22-23-1900.

Printing		
W Sawyer & Son.	\$ 42.50	
EB Stillings & Co.	19.25	61.75
N. H. N. & B RR Co.		
183 Tickets	@ 190	347.70
Prov. Fall River & Newport S & B Co.		
Steamer "Warwick"		125
Crescent Park - Geo B Boyden.		
183 Dinners	228.75	
Lemonade.	820	236.95
Mathewson Hotel		
Beard, 1 day - 183 guests.		538.50
Carters Band		
24 pieces		201.
Friedrich Samson Armorer		
2 days services		10
Expenses		
Boston	7	
Pier	8	15
Siward		535.90

Brot Inward.

\$1,535.90.

1. Carriages:

To Hotel

10.40

.. Point Judith

11.20

122.90

Postage & Envelopes.

20

Sundries:-

Car fares.

2.20

Telegraph.

1.65

Telephone

3.30

7.40

Total Expense

\$1,686.00

Receipts

160 Tickets sold

\$10

1,600

Contributions:-

Robert B Ford

\$10.

Samuel M Ham

10

J Gilman Waite

10

John R Newman

5

John H Bowker

10

Herbert A Rhoades

5

Thomas M Carter

5

James S Blake

5

Benny H Silchfield

10

Rinaldo B Richardson

8

Richard A Alwood Friends

5

86

\$1,686.

showing that the Pilgrimage has
conducted without any expense to the

11. Treasury of the Commandery

12.

The Order of the Temple

was then conferred in Due Form and with
Full Ceremonies and

Knights Charles Louis Frank.

Knights Alva Moulton Thompson
were created and Dubbed Knights of the
Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple
Knights Templars

13

The Order of Malta was
then conferred in the Short Form and the
same Sir Knights were created and Dubbed
Knights of Malta after which they repaired
to the Recorders Desk and signed the By Laws

14

On motion of the Recorder
it was voted that a committee of five be ap-
pointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year
their report to be made to the Recorder and Com-
on the notice of the Annual Banquet
Sir Thomas C. Emery,

Sir Richard Hapgood

Sir Samuel T. Boy

Sir J. Lodge Eddy

Sir John T. ...

were appointed on this committee.

There being no further business the Commandery was closed in Due Form at nine o'clock and twenty three minutes P M

Members present.

In Uniform	30
Not in Uniform	87

Among the visitors were.

Emt Sir Frank L Mead	E. S. "D. C. Molay" Boston
Rt Em Sir Ellery J Garfield.	P. G. Michigan
Ex Sir F. A. Blades.	Grand Prelate of Mich.
	and Prelate of "Detroit No 1"
Sir A. E. Meigs	"St Johns" Bangor Me.

After closing the Commandery a collation was served in the Banquet Hall.

15 The following Sir Knights paid the balance of the fee necessary to perfect their Life Membership.

1 Sir Joseph B Paul
Sir Andrew W Preston
Sir J. Dodge Eddy
Sir Charles H Baldwin

15 Sir John B Robinson

Sir James Berwick

Sir Thomas A Brook.

Sir Francis E Thompson.

Sir Freeman H Young

Sir Ernest L Davis

Sir Herman A Packard

Sir Fred A Snow

Sir George A Bonant

Sir Stark H Davis

Sir George R Weatherby.

Sir Frank L Morse

Sir W. Blifton Jones

Sir George E. Brigham

Sir Willis B Foster

Sir Albert C Sawyer

Sir William B Holmes

Sir Isaac H Ayres Jr

Sir Robert F. Freeman

Sir Willard F. Scott

Sir Henry A. Dickerman Jr

Sir Lovers L. Adams

Sir Henry B. Semby

Sir Davis S. Kever.

Sir Edgar M. Roberts

Sir Josiah S. Dyer

Sir Edward M. West

Sir Charles H. Adair
 died in New York City June 24 1900.
 His body was brought to Boston and buried
 from the Hancock Congregational Church
 Dedington Mass June 27 at 3 o'clock P M.
 His funeral was attended by Emory L. G.
 Gilman Waite, Sir John H. Bowker, Sir Henry
 Samuel Sir George A. Silcomb

Sir William H. West
 died Thursday July 5-1900.
 His funeral was held Saturday July 7 at
 2 o'clock P M from 22 Wood Street N. H. set
 and was attended by Emory L. G. Gilman
 Sir Henry L. Cook Sir Samuel B. Childreth
 Sir Thomas F. Temple and Sir Fred C. Hayward

Sir William G. Gilmore
 died July 21-1900
 His funeral was held July 24 and was
 attended by Sir John H. Bowker Sir William
 F. Butler Sir George A. Griffith Sir Herbert
 F. Boyden Sir Henry Samuel Sir Henry A.
 Maley Sir Frederick L. Briggs Sir Joseph L.
 Paul Sir George E. Savary Sir William B. Wallis.

Sir Freeman A. Loring
 died Sunday September 14-1900.
 His funeral was held from the residence of
 Samuel H. Turner Salem Street Medford
 Tuesday September 18-1900 at 2³⁰ o'clock P M
 and was attended by Emory L. G. Gilman Waite
 Sir Parker R. Sitchfield Sir William P. Clark Sir
 Henry Horcross

West

Guernsey

Saving -

Boston October 15-1900

At a meeting of the Committee on Finance the dues of the following Sir Knights were remitted:-

Sir Stephen T Bacon.	1900-01.	\$ 16.
Sir Walter S Bicknell	1900-01	16.
Sir George W Blish	1899-00-01	21.
Sir Charles A T Blesm	1900-01	16.
Sir John W Brackett	1900-01	16.
Sir William Clapp	1899-00-01	21.
Sir Louis H Fisher	1899-00-01	21.
Sir Samuel W Furber	1900-01	16.
Sir John T Gilman	1900-01	16.
Sir Joseph J Hewes.	1900-01	16.
Sir Samuel B Locke	1900-01	16.
Sir Warren L Lovell	1900-01	16.
Sir Charles H Marks.	1900-01	16.
Sir George S Minot	1900-01	16.
Sir Henry Norcross.	1898-99-00-01	26.
Sir Ira H Odell	1899-00	13.
Sir Benjamin D Porter	1900-01	16.
Sir Albert G Pray	1900-01	16.
Sir George B Pickett	1898-99-00-01	26.
Sir Frederick Riley	1900-01	16.
Sir James P Richardson	1900-01	16.
Sir William R H Stark	1899-00	13.
Sir George C Stearns	1900-01	16.

Attest Herbert A Rhoades Recorder.